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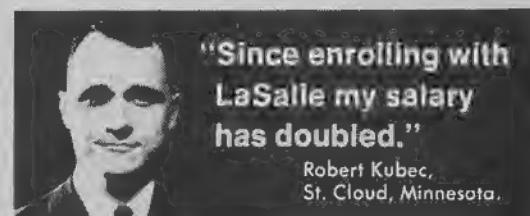
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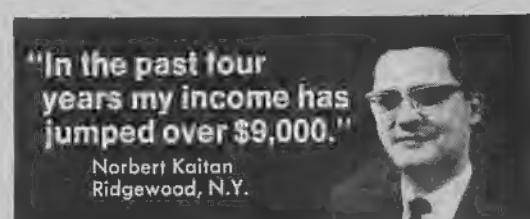
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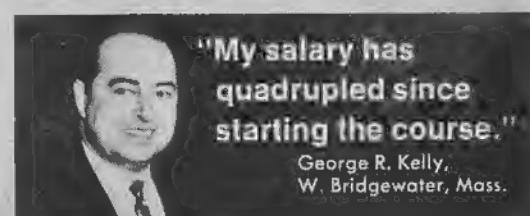
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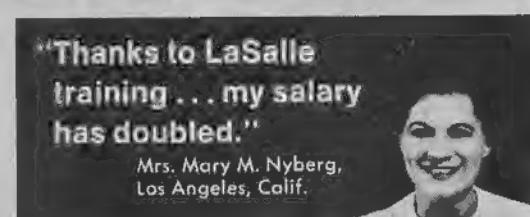
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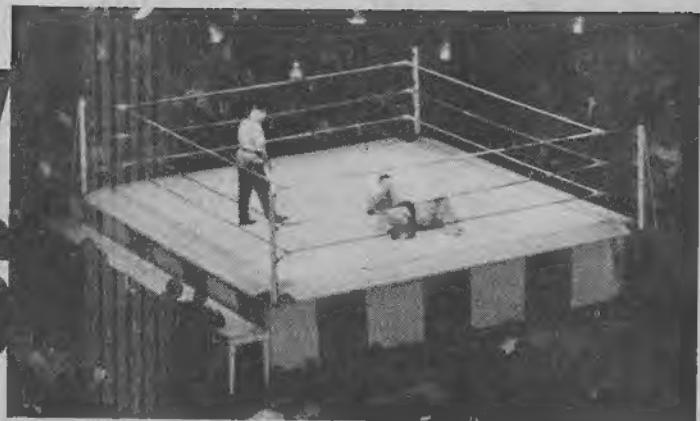
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Every time Steele creates a situation where a riot may occur, they should make him forfeit his purse. The money should then be divided among the security officers or given to a local charity.

It's about time George Steele paid for all the trouble he causes!

BERNARD WALSH
Chevy Chase, Md.

ASHAMED OF POWERS

As a faithful Cleveland wrestling fan, I can only add my voice to the many others who are angry and heartbroken over the change in Johnny Powers (INSIDE WRESTLING/June '74).

I used to follow Powers' career with interest and happiness. For a long time I thought Johnny was the best thing that ever happened to wrestling. But his poor sportsmanship in and out of the ring have proven otherwise.

I can only hope Powers realizes that the road he's on can only bring shame on his reputation. I never thought I would be cheering for Ernie Ladd against Johnny Powers but that's what's happening. It's a true pity Cleveland fans will have to look for "another Johnny Powers" because the original has turned his back on us.

ELAINE LEVENTHAL
Cleveland, Ohio

BLASTING BLASSIE

When Fred Blassie got off the "Hotseat" (INSIDE WRESTLING/June '74), I hope he went right to an electric chair.

That the king of the pencil neck geeks dares insult the eastern fans, the greatest in the world, shows how rotten he is. I suppose it's a compliment to be insulted by the dirtiest wrestler in the sport's history. He's so cruel even he admits he's a miserable cheat!

Thank you for putting Freddie Blassie on the "Hotseat" so he could



reveal to everyone what a dirty wrestler and rotten sportsman he is!

SAMUEL NUTLEY
Cohoes, N.Y.

THE BIG FIVE

Jack Brisco has proven in his article "THE FIVE MEN WHO CAN TAKE MY TITLE" that he is not only a great champion but a great human being!

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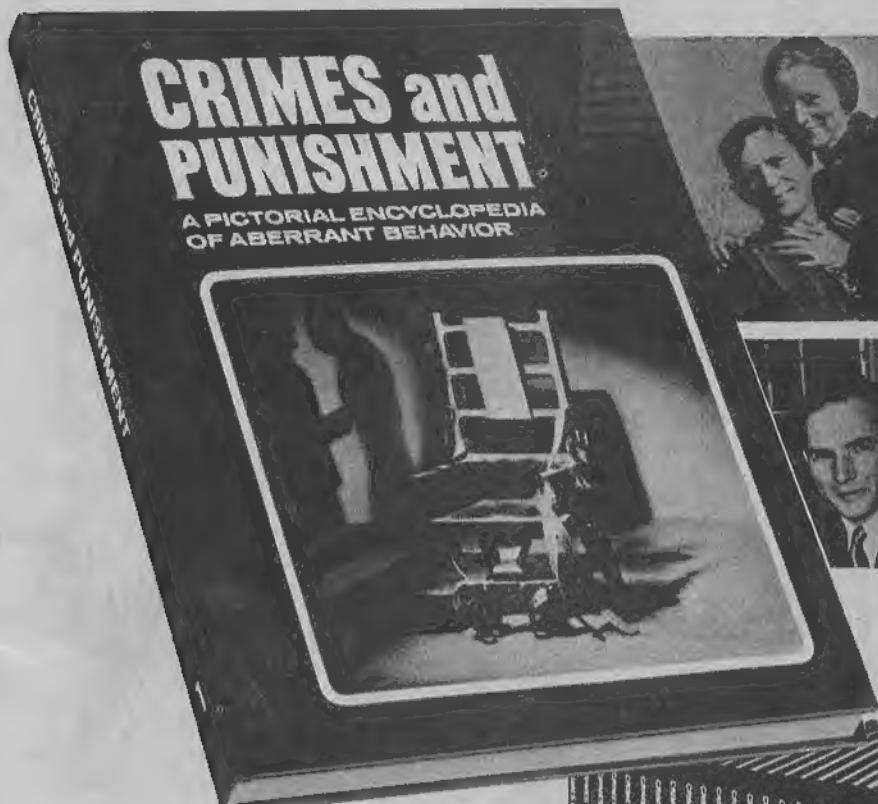
Fred Blassie (above) drew a lot of hate mail when he was put on the "Hotseat." Many Ohio fans have gone thumbs down for John Powers (left). It's agreed that George Steele (below) belongs in a cage. He is dangerous!



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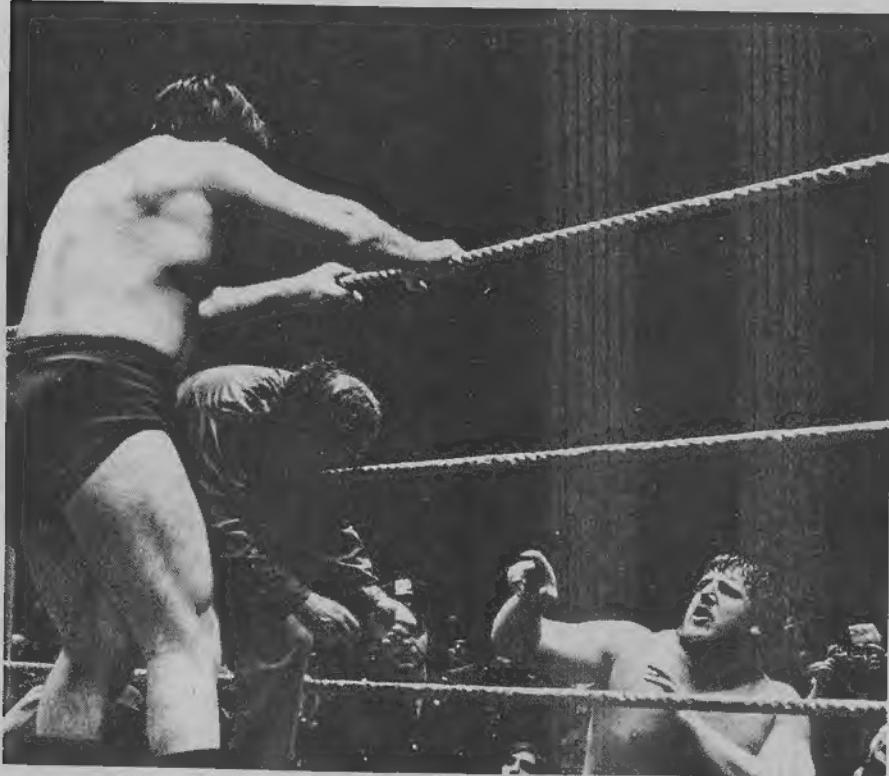
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NEW YORK NOTES BY Preston Larris

BRUNO SAMMARTINO TREATED his fans in Madison Square Garden to a great match as he defended his title against the Siberian giant, Nikoli Volkoff. Bruno had wrestled Volkoff to a draw a month before this match and this one was to be a Texas Death Match—no holds barred, and no disqualifications.

When Volkoff entered the arena, the fans pelted him with cups and other refuse and had to be begged to stop. When Sammartino entered, the roof was almost ripped off by the ovation.

Volkoff attacked Sammartino before the match began, kicking him brutally into the corner. It's a testament to Bruno's magnificent conditioning that he was able to escape and recover.

Once free, Bruno began a tremendous counterattack. Volkoff went on the defensive and for a long while the match was at a dangerous standstill. The match seesawed with each man seeming to have the advantage only to have the other escape.

Finally, Bruno overpowered the Siberian, using a brilliant display of scientific wrestling. Volkoff could do nothing but give in.

In other matches, Pedro Morales defeated Larry Hennig in a vicious brawl...Larry Zbysko upset Ed Sullivan...Gorilla Monsoon sent Don Leo Jonathan spinning.

FLORIDA REPORT BY Rocky Dorton

Ron Fuller won his match against Buddy Colt in Orlando but it took a reversed decision to do it.

Ron steamed out of his corner as



A Madison Square Garden spectacular saw Bruno Sammartino stop Nikoli Volkoff (left). Gorilla Monsoon (above) had his hands full with Don Leo Jonathan, and Pedro Morales (below) downed Larry Hennig.



the match began and started working on Colt's arms. Colt writhed in pain on the mat while the young star showed the notorious veteran that scientific wrestling can leave opponents in pain.

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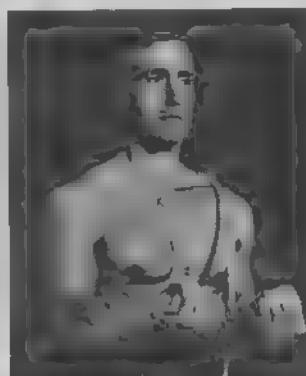
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"WHY I FIRED ERNIE LADD"

BY BOBBY HEENAN

ERNIE LADD'S IMPOSSIBLE! I swear, that guy does not understand plain English. You tell him, "Ernie, wrestle this way," and he does exactly the opposite. If he'd have listened to me he and Von Raschke would still be holding the tag team belts.

You know, jealousy is a very childish thing. As soon as I discovered the marvelous team of Jim and John Valiant, Ladd became enraged with jealousy. It shocked the pants off me. Ernie Ladd was acting like a kid. Here I was, a true professional manager, feeling I could leave Ladd on his own a bit while I helped the Valiants plan strategy. I was wrong. Ladd blew everything he had on his own. Without me in his corner the man could not think. He was not the wrestler I thought he'd be.

When Ladd and Von Raschke were robbed of the tag team title by

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Look at that honest face (above). You can't help but believe my story. Ernie Ladd doesn't do what he's told. He doesn't even let me speak for him (left). That is a manager's job. I had to get rid of him. He's a pest! Ladd's also a jealous kid. He doesn't let me give my attention to anyone else.

Bobby Heenan's so burnt up at Ernie Ladd he doesn't want any part of him. Bobby also claims Ladd is totally lost without him

VERSY!



"WHY I DUMPED BOBBY HEENAN"

BY ERNIE LADD

I am not handing you a lot of bull. Heenan is. He never let me speak for myself (left). He made me many promises and never kept 'em. Heenan is a low down lynch creep'



Ernie Ladd's out to prove he doesn't need Bobby Heenan to think for him. And the way he's trying to prove it is to eliminate Heenan from wrestling

I FIND IT hard to believe, still, but Bobby Heenan is not a man of his word!

Heenan made me promises, many promises. He promised that after me and Baron Von Raschke had the tag team title stolen from us we'd get the belts back. Well he never kept his word. Instead, he booked Jim Valiant and his brother for a title match instead of us. Disgusted, Von Raschke left Heenan's stable. But I hear they've patched things up. Well Heenan and I haven't patched anything up yet and it'll take a lot of persuasion to get me back on his team again.

As soon as the Valiants came his way Bobby Heenan stopped paying full attention to me. This disturbed me. It disturbed me because in me he could have realized his wish as a manager of a single world champion. He could have paired me with anyone

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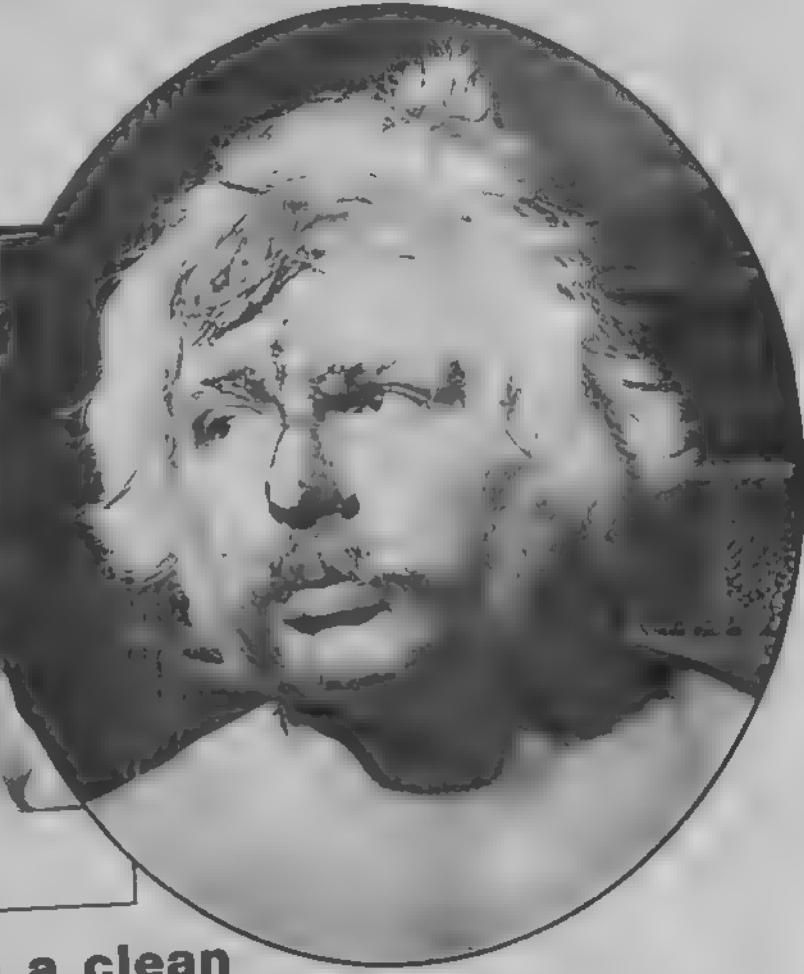
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THE TIM WOODS YOU DON'T KNOW

A bloody Bobby Shane (right) claims this picture was taken after Tim Woods raked his eyes (below). "Tim Woods is a dirty wrestler," Shane said. "I can't understand why the fans support him."



If Tim Woods is such a clean wrestler why's Bobby Shane nursing an eye wound caused by Tim gouging Bobby's eye?

THE LEFT SIDE of his face an ugly red, his eye swollen and closed, Bobby Shane screamed at the crowd which was responding with jeers. The louder Shane screamed the louder the crowd jeered. However, it was difficult to argue with Shane's disfigured face.

"You slobbs think Woods is a scientific wrestler!" Shane screamed,

his anger making his face even redder. "If he's scientific, I'm the Great Gatsby! Look at my face! Look how he clawed and tore! Look at my eye! You can't, because it's too swollen to see! Your hero did this! Clean Tim Woods—as dirty as he's phony!"

Looking at Shane's face, it was easy to see why he was so angry. This was the second match in which

Tim Woods had used borderline tactics against Shane. This time, a grab at the side of Shane's face had temporarily mutilated the features of which Shane was so proud

"That filthy pig!" screamed Shane. "You'd guess he'd be able to fool you ignorant morons. Well, I've had it with you all! You and Woods deserve each other!"

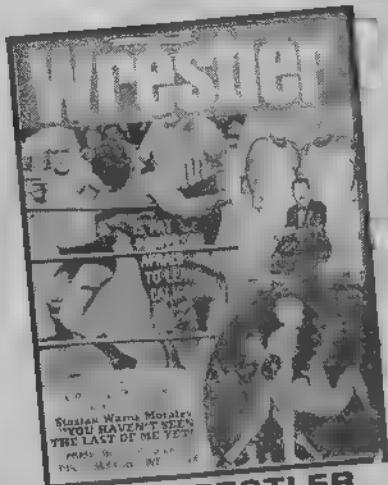
With that, Shane stomped off to the dressing room to put a raw beefsteak against his eye.

Shane hadn't bothered to say why Tim Woods, generally regarded as one of the sport's most scientific wrestlers, had been driven to alter

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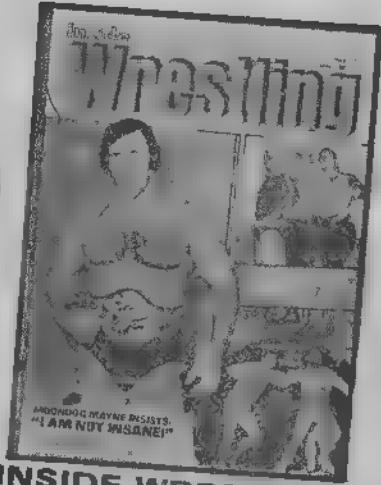
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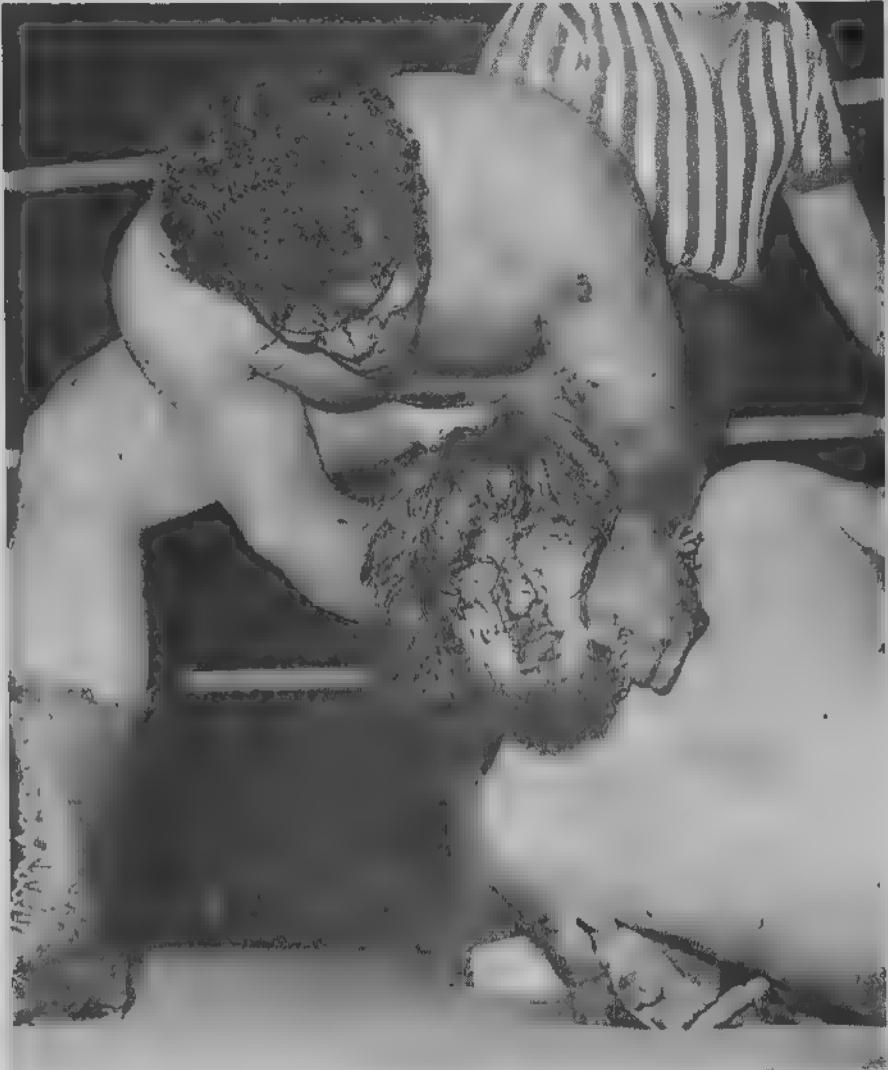
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VICTOR RIVERA'S BECOMING

Victor Rivera's becoming a vicious killer. He's taken enough bull from the rule breakers and now he's dishin' out the punishment and leaving a path of bloody bodies behind him



Victor Rivera goes berserk in a match against Big Bad John. Vic had to be torn off John by a group of police and two referees during this chain match

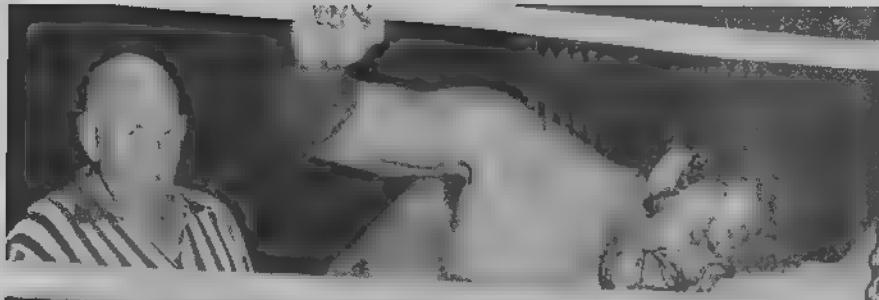
IS VICTOR RIVERA doomed to become as vicious as the men he despises?

It's beginning to look that way, even to Victor. The man whose name used to stand for scientific wrestling has begun to match his more brutal opponents in dispensing agony. He tries to stop himself, but as each

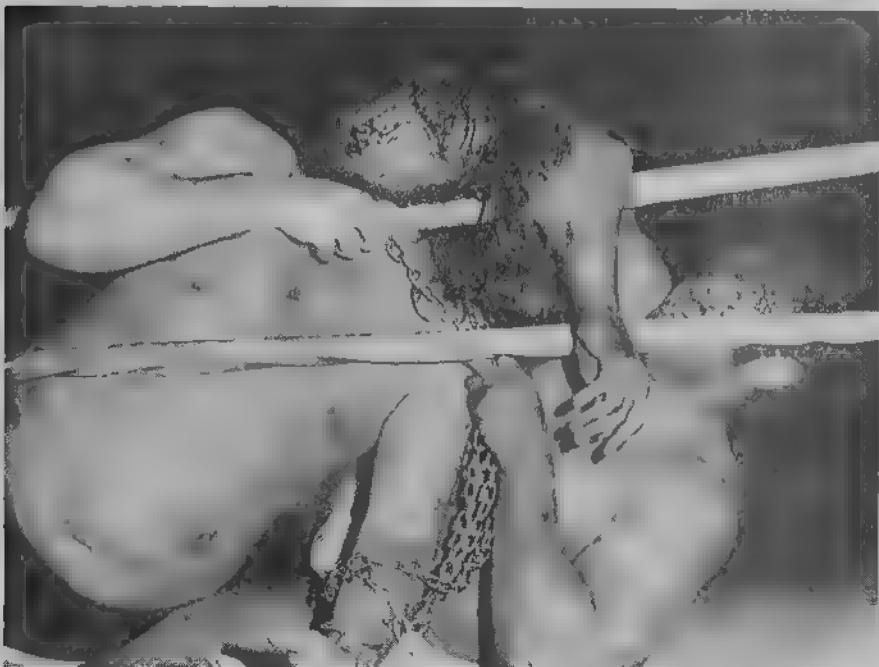
match progresses his bloodlust grows. Soon, a Rivera opponent is getting a lot more than a taste of his own medicine. More than one recent opponent has had to be carried out on a stretcher.

"I know what's happening," Victor mourns. "but I can't stop it. Every match I go into I'm determined to

A KILLER!



Victor decided to bloody John after John did the dirty work first. But Victor contends that he'll break the rules before his opponent from now on so he won't go off bloody. Above: Victor kicks John's face in. Below: Rivera tries to get John between the ropes for the express purpose of putting his head through them and choking him.



"control myself. But sooner or later something inside me explodes and I start going wild. And then it becomes a brawl."

After years of being one of the most strictly scientific men in the sport's history, why is Victor suddenly losing his temper now?

"Maybe the years of punishment have finally caught up with me," Victor says, though it's obvious this is a question that's been bothering him and this is an unsatisfying reason. "It would make sense that after years of being subjected to all the gutter tactics in the world I'd finally get fed up inside. Nobody can take that kind of punishment without it affecting him in areas he can't control. That makes sense, doesn't it?"

It makes sense, but is it the reason?

Whatever the reason, Victor tried to see if it was at all possible to control himself. He wanted to give himself the hardest test possible in hopes this one match could prove something. If it proved anything, Victor doesn't want to admit it.

The test was to be a chain match against Big Bad John, a wrestler who would test the patience of a saint. John knows as much about torturing an opponent, angering an opponent, and dirty tactics as most any man alive. It was a purposely hard test, an almost impossible task.

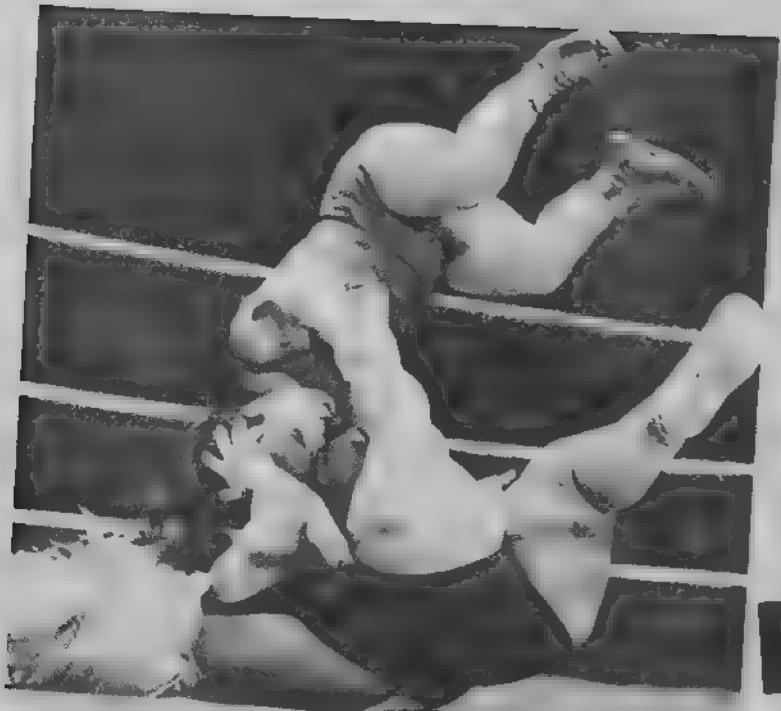
"I asked Victor not to do it," his frequent tag team partner, Manny Soto remembers. "You don't spend a week in the desert if you're wondering whether or not you get sunburn. It's just too much to expect to control yourself during chain match, especially with Big Bad John. It was a big mistake as the outcome proved."

It was not only a big mistake--but a bloody one.

The match started as everyone expected it would. Big Bad John has been in so many chain matches he can control the chain as if it was an extension of his hand. The metal kept snaking through the air and encircling Rivera's neck. A quick tug by John and Rivera was choking.

The chain dug deeper into Victor's neck and began to force his windpipe shut. Desperately, Rivera's fingers tore at the chain, trying to pry the links loose. His knuckles turned white, but the chain slid through

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Darling Dagmar monkey flips Diamond Lil in a quest to win a title that does not even exist! "Lil claims the title," Dagmar says. "She has no right to. I'm champ."

CHASE FOR A NON-EXISTENT TITLE



An old fashioned airplane spin has Dagmar in charge. "Lil is a mean, dirty wrestler," Dagmar says. She doesn't deserve to claim the title. It will give all midget girls a bad name."

WHILE THERE IS no official girls' midget wrestling champion, Diamond Lil claims the title. But a very angry Darling Dagmar is following her around the country, determined to make Diamond Lil shut her mouth!

"I am the champion!" Diamond Lil insists to promoters and fans. "There is no midget girl in the world who comes close to my talent, strength, and cunning. Therefore, since I'm the best, I am the champion. That's the way I want to be introduced and known — the great Diamond Lil, midget girl wrestling champion of the world!"

Lil is probably one of the meanest wrestlers in the sport — of any size or sex. The screams of her opponents seem to make her continue that much harder and crueler. Only the bravest and most skillful girl midgets even consider wrestling her. Her reputation for viciousness is reknowned throughout the wrestling world.

That's why Darling Dagmar's continual pursuit of Diamond Lil is so remarkable — and startling. But Darling Dagmar is a very proud and determined woman. She re-

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There is no midget women's champion. But don't tell that to Diamond Lil. She claims she's the champion and will stop at nothing to prove her point

THE ROYAL KANGAROO SKULLBUSTERS!



A Royal Kangaroo doesn't give up until his opponent's head is open. El Mongol is a victim (left). They have busted many opponents' skulls.

FIRST IT WAS the fist of a Royal Kangaroo that smashed into El Mongol's head. The stars in front of his eyes hadn't disappeared when a whole new galaxy appeared, courtesy of a brutal headbutt. Then powerful fingers started to claw and twist the thin flesh covering the skull. The whole torture took no more than a minute, but El Mongol was dizzy and weak for days afterward.

El Mongol is only one of the victims of the Royal Kangaroos' new plan—to crack and/or crush the

ROOS:

El Mongol's about to black out (opposite page), as the skull busting continues. When he tries to tag his partner, Mongol is caught with a vicious brain claw that causes more pain.



trying to keep their headhunting spree a secret. They proudly proclaim their intention to split the skulls of their opponents. And they are backing up their boasts with actions—actions that have left a trail of blood and agony in their wake

Every time the human head is struck thousands of brain cells are destroyed. This produces the pathetic condition described as "punch drunk." A session with the Royal Kangaroos can begin an otherwise healthy person on the irreversible road to being punch drunk. Once brain cells are destroyed—they can never be reproduced!

The Kangaroos know this. And they're sure their opponents are aware of it

"You can't be a professional in this sport without having given some thought to retiring a drooling vegetable," Jonathan Boyd, one of

the Royal Kangaroos, says with a cold smile. "We've just decided to work on that fear. We let them walk around woozy for awhile and then let them think what it would be like to be in that condition for the next 30 years. You're not at your best when thinking about those things. When your opponents are not at their best you become that much better."

"Not to mention," the other Royal Kangaroo, Norman Fredrick Charles III, chimes in, "once you smash them in the head, it's got a very immediate benefit for you. They're in pretty bad shape. Nowhere on the body does a good shot do as much damage. First the head reacts, then the body. When the head doesn't work the body is pretty useless."

It takes a lot of practice before a headbutt hurts your opponent
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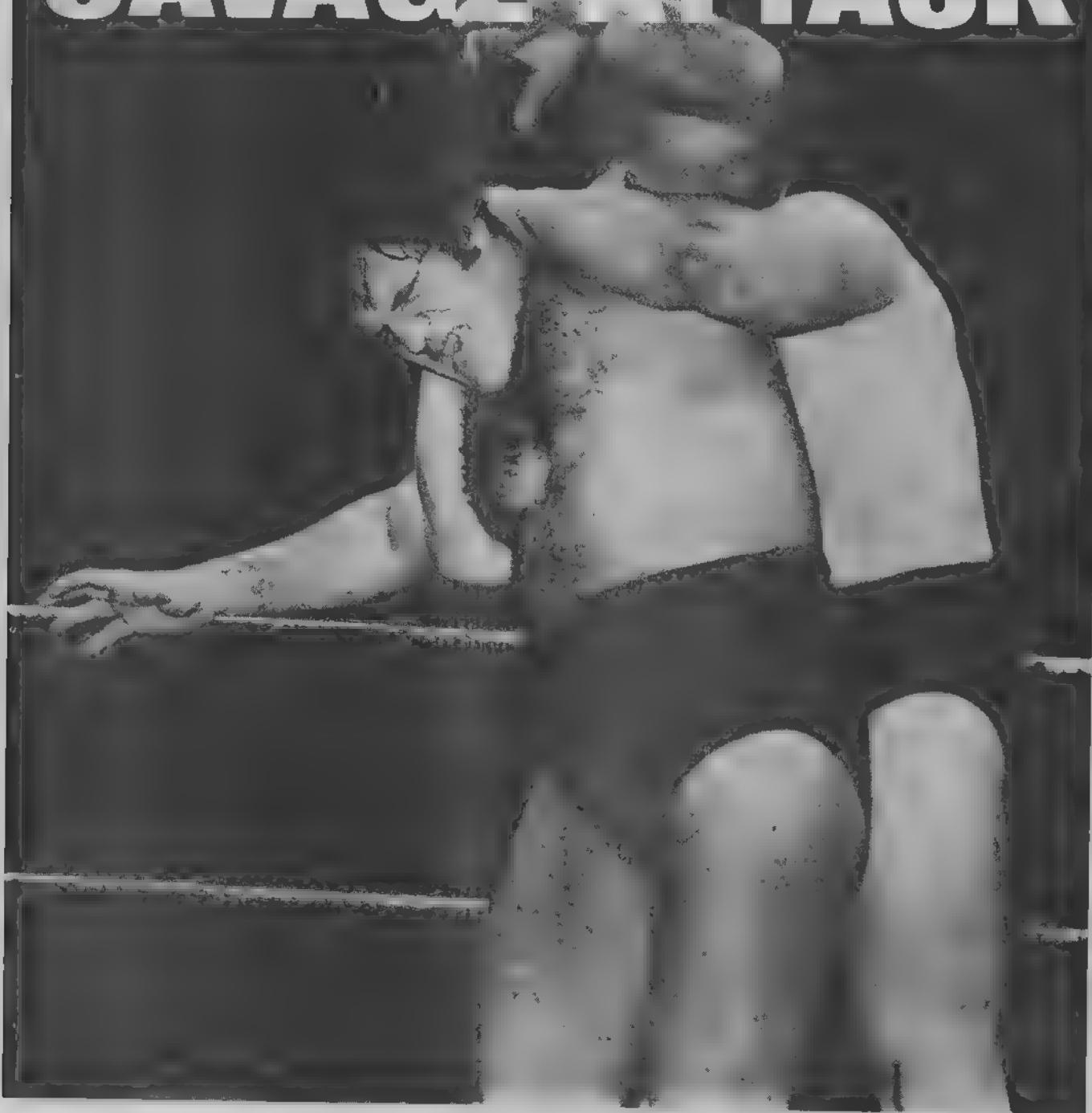
skulls of their opponents. It is a cruel and dangerous tactic that could end the career and permanently damage the brains of their opponents. Once you hear the sickening crack of your skull being pounded and feel the pain shoot through your head, it terrifies you. That's the way the Royal Kangaroos like their opponents to feel.

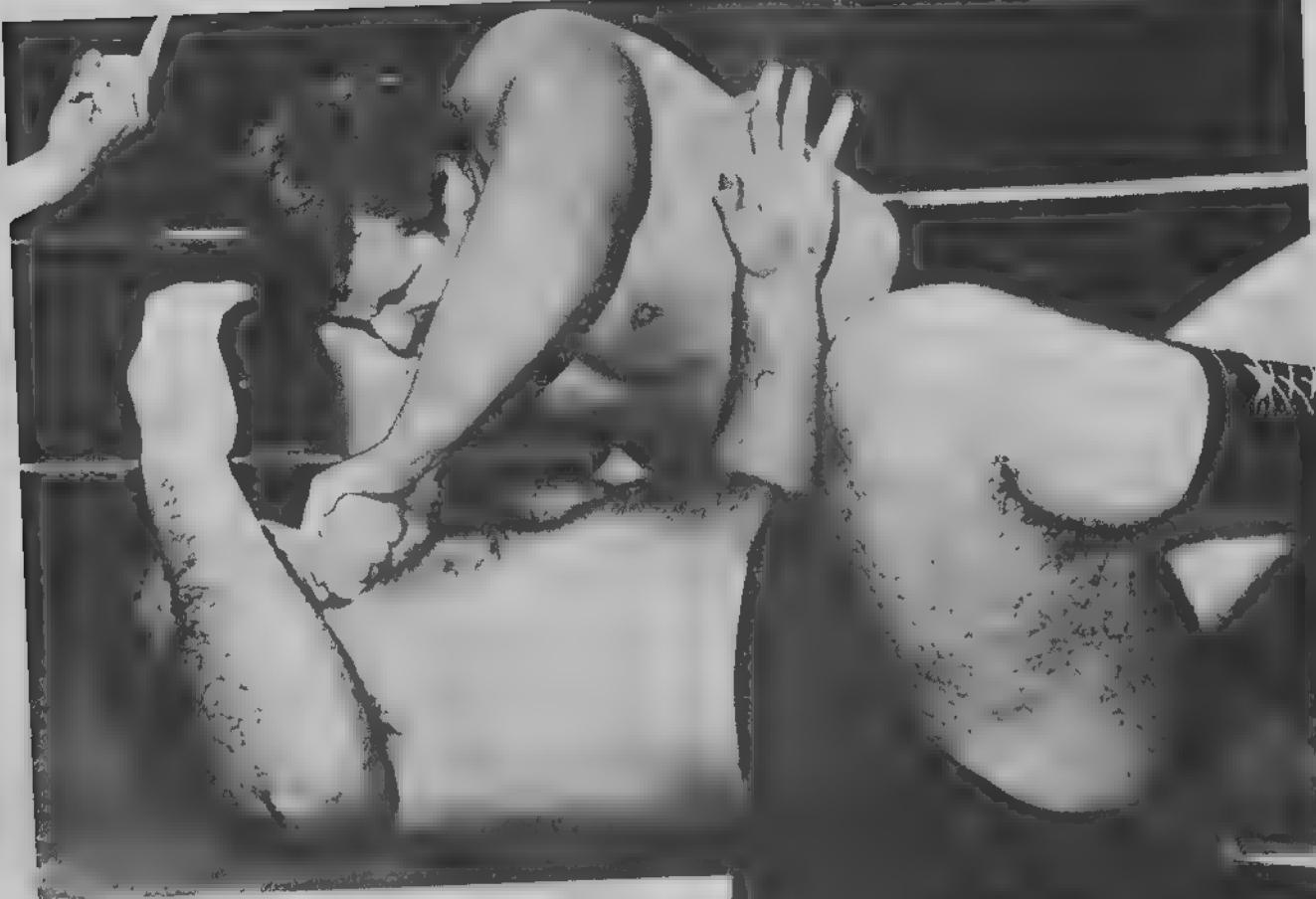
The Royal Kangaroos are not

Skull busting. That's what the Royal Kangaroos are famous for. And unless some team can come along and bust their skulls, the Royal Kangaroos' reign of terror will continue

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HOW BRUNO SURVIVED VOLKOFF'S SAVAGE ATTACK





FRRED BLASSIE'S CAREER is no doubt one of the most successful. He's wrestled all the top names in the sport and has won many titles with his savage style. He proved his point, so to say, that he is on the top of the heap when you talk about success in wrestling.

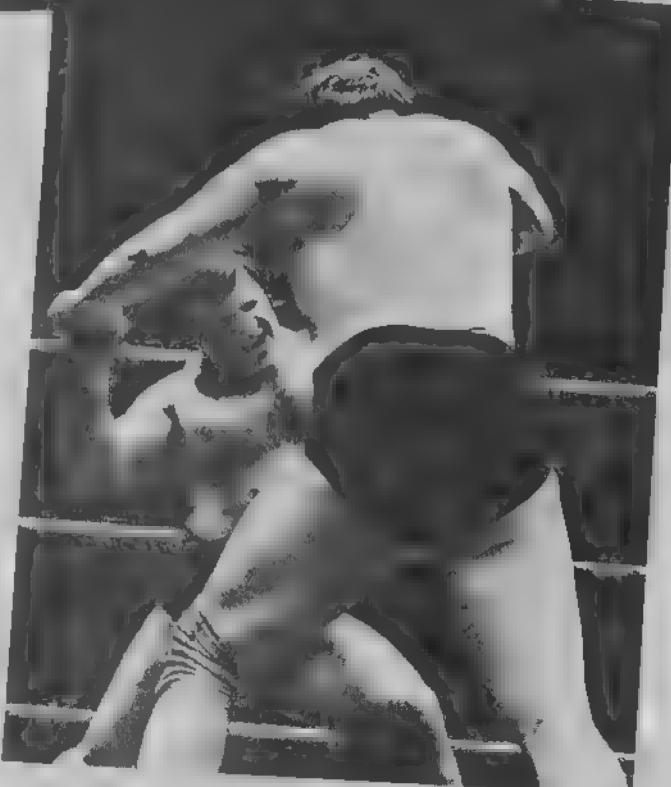
But Fred isn't content with that. He also wants to be talked about high on the list of managers, and maybe as a referee or whatever else he can do in the business.

He's refereed and been praised for his work many times. No one dares cross him when he orders a wrestler to break a hold or when he enforces a rule. If one does, he'll regret it. Fred will beat him bloody.

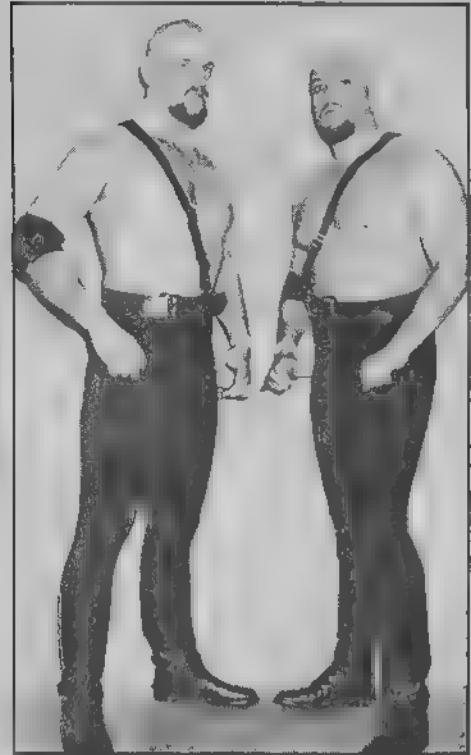
Freddie's also managed. He took under his wing a giant Siberian, Nikoli Volkoff. With Volkoff he wanted to realize his dream of managing a world champion. And Fred could

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Volkoff savagely chokes Bruno (above) moments after sneak attacking him. A titanic test of strength (right) sees Bruno trying to gain the advantage. In their two battles, strength clashes played a large part in the action.

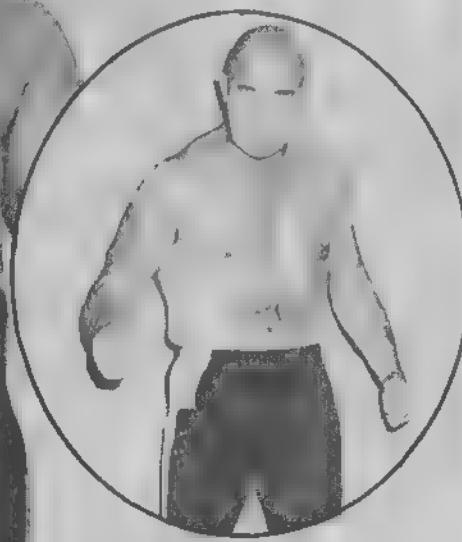
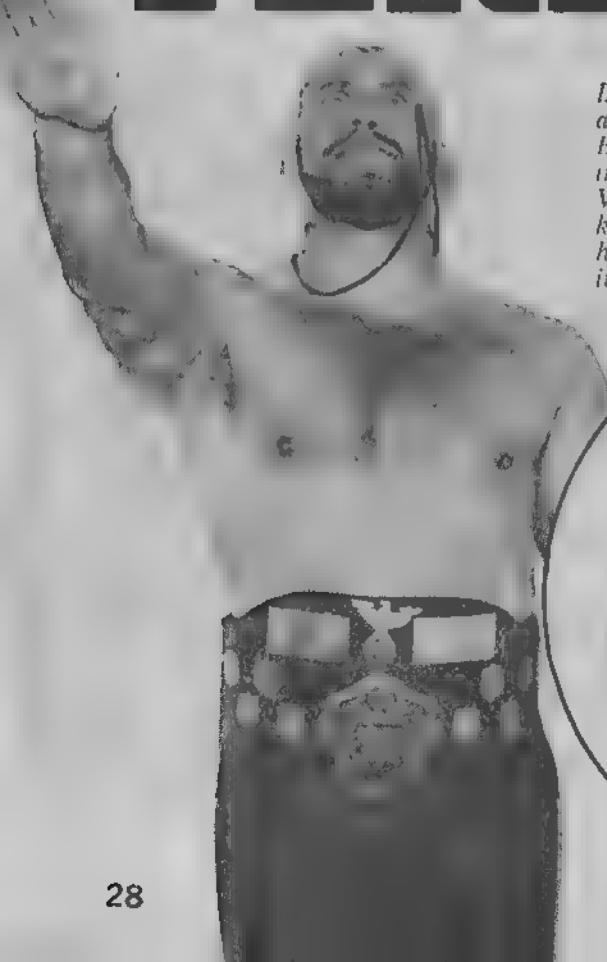


Nikoli Volkoff should have known never to sneak attack Bruno Sammartino. Bruno made Nikoli pay by giving him a sound thrashing. Nikoli should know better next time—for his own sake



*Four of Germany's most feared.
Left: Baron Von Raschke. Above:
Fritz Von Goering. Right: Karl
Von Shutz and pal Kurt Von Hess.*

THESE TERRIFYING



*Left: Killer Krupp. He'll stop
at nothing to maim his opponent.
Below: Hans Schmidt. Loves to
inflict punishment. Right: Waldo
Von Erich. His dream is to
kill a man in the ring. And
he's gotten close to making
it come true more than once.*

Some of wrestling's most brutal practitioners have been imported from Germany. And judging from their vicious actions, it appears they're not convinced World War II is over!

THE REIGN OF terror started with Karl Von Hess in the '50's and there seems to be no end in sight!

That all these savage, brutal, cruel wrestlers come from one country may be only coincidence. However, there is no denying that many of the dirtiest, most vicious wrestlers have come from Germany.

One of the first men to leave his war ravaged country to wrestle in the United States was Karl Von Hess, the man who was probably responsible for more riots than anyone else in wrestling history. Many of the fans had fought in World War II. So had Von Hess, but on the other side. He flaunted his Nazi background like a red flag taunting thousands of bulls. Instead of trying to mend German-



Karl Von Hess (above) is believed to have started the German reign of terror. Bruiser (left) will agree.

GERMANS!!!

American relations, he acted like he was still in the war.

Rules were the only thing foreign to him. He used anything he could get his hands on to maim and cripple opponents. If he was responsible for as many injured enemies in World War II as he was for injured wrestlers in the '50's and early '60's, Von Hess would probably have been the most decorated man in the German army.

Fans filled arenas all over the country to see him wrestle the great Antonino Rocca and Ricky Starr. It is no exaggeration to say that Karl Von Hess was the most hated man in wrestling.

Many others have crossed the Atlantic to follow in his hated footsteps. There have been many reasons these men are numbered among the most despised men in wrestling.

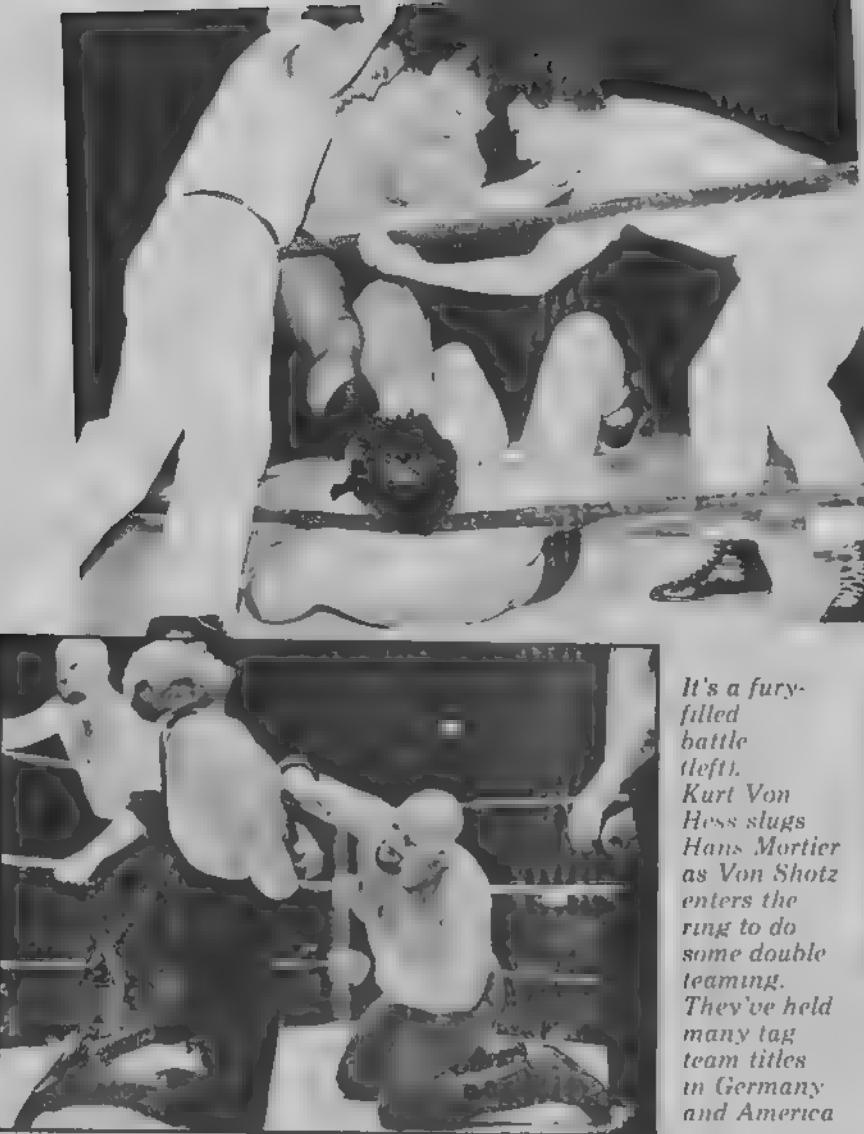
The epitome of the German villain is Waldo Von Erich, who managed to pull one of the lowest moves in anyone's memory.

Waldo was sitting in a television



Fritz Von Erich and his brain claw are German exports (above). Karl Von Steiger (right) believes that brutality is the only way to win a match.





Maniacal Waldo Von Erich has to be held back by two referees before he slaughters his opponent (left). Hans Schmidt tries to choke huge Billy McGuire (below). Hans succeeded and Billy collapsed unconscious.



It's a fury-filled battle (left). Kurt Von Hess slugs Hans Mortier as Von Shotz enters the ring to do some double teaming. They've held many tag team titles in Germany and America

studio watching a little girl present a picture to her favorite wrestler a picture on which she had worked for hours. Shyly, she extended the portrait of her favorite grappler, waiting anxiously for his approval.

An act so pure and precious was more than Waldo could stand. He ran and yanked the picture from the little girl's hands. Then, as her eyes filled with tears, Von Erich ripped the picture into shreds. The wrestler and others grabbed him and wrestled him to the floor before he went any further. Nobody knows if he would have slapped the girl across the room, but nobody is willing to take bets that he wouldn't.

Waldo is only one of many Germans wrestling in this country. It would be impossible to tell which is the most vicious, which most flagrantly violates the rules. On any evening any one of them might earn those honors.

No matter which part of the country you're in, you can count on one of them ravaging the area. Some of

them learned their tactics while members of Hitler's brownshirts. Others simply come by their cruelty naturally. Whether singly or as a tag team, they can be counted on to terrorize anyone unfortunate enough to wrestle them.

A man on whose evil you can depend on is Killer Karl Krupp, a man who proudly claims he is related to the Krupp family, Germany's leading munition makers, who proudly supply arms to anyone willing to pay the price. While Killer is willing to use any weapon on his opponent, he is most effective when slashing his riding crop across the face of an opponent. Many wrestlers bear scars as testament to his skill in using the crop. It's a brutal weapon employed by a man who enjoys seeing his opponent's face bleeding from numerous, deep cuts.

Fritz Von Erich doesn't use a riding crop. He doesn't have to. Von Erich is the originator of the dreaded German brain claw. All Fritz needs to do is squeeze his fingers over an

opponent's skull and the match is as good as over. First there comes excruciating pain, which is mercifully followed by a state of unconsciousness. The agony is thought to be similar to electric shock treatments and no one who has ever suffered through it has been able to wrestle effectively against Von Erich.

While Von Erich may have been the originator of the German brain claw Baron Von Raschke is the man who perfected it. The Baron possesses the ability to apply the claw from almost any position. The claw is only one of the many weapons the Baron employs and he is not above using foreign ones. The Baron came to America from Germany as a small child, but he is as vicious as any wrestler who immigrated to this country as full-grown man.

One who did come over later in his life and whom many opponents have wished would go back is Hans Schmidt. Schmidt is a veteran. His scars prove that. But he wrestles like a rookie who is trying to decide whether



Baron Von Raschke rips face of his opponent. "I am Germany's greatest wrestler," the Baron boasts. "We are the superior race in wrestling and will win every title in the world!" The Baron also uses the brain claw to destroy his opponents.



The notorious Von Brauner twins have possibly caused wrestlers more torture than any other tag team imported from Germany.

ther to be a professional wrestler or an assassin. The years haven't slowed him down in the least. He has the physical stamina of a young man. Coupled with his veteran's experience and murderous intentions, Schmidt must be ranked as one of the most dangerously cruel men ever to become a professional wrestler.

Another man who must share that "honor" is Fritz Von Goering. Von Goering, to show his disdain for wrestling's regulations, once ate a rule-book! He then went on to wrestle and wound up sending his luckless opponent to the hospital. Von Goering will turn on anyone. Rarely has one wrestler been more feared by referees and security police. When he enters the arena everyone is on his guard. He is notorious for breaking limbs.

While Von Goering delights in breaking bones, Karl Von Steiger relishes ending careers. There is probably no wrestler in the sport responsible for inflicting more permanent injuries on opponents.

"Other wrestlers bore me," Von Steiger has said, "and I hate to wrestle anybody more than once. To prevent repetition, I try to make sure they'll never wrestle again. It keeps things interesting. And it gives my opponents something to think about when they decide to wrestle me."

Von Steiger has wrestled in many matches against opponents determined to avenge his ending the careers of friends. All too often the opponents join their friends in looking for another line of work.

The most famous German tag team is probably that of Kurt Von Hess and Karl Von Shotz. The two work together like a well-oiled machine of destruction. Many swear each man can anticipate the other perfectly.

This is particularly useful when all four men are battling it out. They are almost one man divided into two evil parts.

When asked how they developed this almost supernatural coordination, Karl simply states, "We are the greatest. That is all there is and all you need to know."

Another Kurt and Karl make up a tag team justifiably feared by scientific teams all over the country—the infamous Von Brauners. These two brothers make savagery an ugly art.

Kurt and Karl delight in their opponents' writhing in agony. Fans have been seen leaving their matches rather than watch them torture their opponents. It takes a strong stomach to remain when the Von Brauners have the advantage.

The newest addition to the roster of German villains is Otto Von Heller. Though he has recently arrived from Germany, it's like he's been here for years. He follows in his countrymen's bloody footsteps.

Von Heller has enormous strength coupled with a will to win that is almost a mania. There is no doubt he too will leave a trail of broken limbs and cracked skulls in his path. He has a lot of cruel countrymen from which to draw inspiration.

The fact that so many wrestlers who come from Germany are savage and cruel and have no regard for the rules angers the few German wrestlers in this country who are strictly scientific. They find they have to overcome not only their opponents but the misconceptions of many fans. They are booed as soon as the fans hear a German name.

"It's infuriating," Eric Froelich, one of the sport's most scientific wrestlers, admits. "But you can't blame the fans. They have been confronted with Germans who are dirty wrestlers for so long they can't believe anyone who is German can wrestle clean!"

"It's all the fault of Karl Von Hess," Froelich believes, "because he was so successful in this country. When other dirty wrestling Germans heard of his success they all decided to come here and make a lot of American money. They don't care whose skull they crack. They'll brutalize a person of any race, religion, or creed."

Karl Von Hess started the migration and many have followed his example. Their reign of terror is unequalled by any other group in the history of wrestling. □

Lou Albano got the stuffing kicked out of him by Chief Jay Strongbow. But Albano's not giving up yet. He's sending his henchmen out to finish the job he couldn't handle. And that's ending Strongbow's career any way they can!

THE MAN CHIEF JAY STRONGBOW MUST DESTROY!

THE MOST POPULAR wrestler of the year on the east coast is...Chief Jay Strongbow!"

Those that were there four years ago still remember the loud, lusty ovation that greeted that announcement. It was a night of celebration and honor. The Chief, proud and appreciative, stood nobly with the trophy while other wrestlers congratulated him.

Three of those extending their hands were Lou Albano, Luke Graham, and Tarzen Tyler. When they got near the Chief, instead of shaking his hand, Graham and Tyler grabbed his arms. The trophy fell to the mat where Albano scooped it up and started to bludgeon the Chief with it. The others stood horrorstruck as the three men turned the night into one of near tragedy. The once proud Chief slumped unconscious to the mat which quickly became stained with his blood. Their deed done, the three men ran from the arena.

That was the beginning of one of the most violent feuds in wrestling history. Graham and Tyler have gone to other areas but Albano remains in the hopes of ending what he began four years ago. The bloodthirsty manager regularly searches the country for wrestlers whose style is particularly suited to injure and humiliate the Chief. He doesn't care if their style includes disregarding rules and human decency. In fact, that is exactly what attracts Albano most.

Over the years, Strongbow has survived the onslaughts of such wrestlers as Moondog Mayne, The Spoiler, King Curtis, and dozens of other rule breaking grapplers all managed by





Albano hides a foreign object (left). He gets a chance and rakes Chief's eyes (right). Strongbow tomahawk chops Lou on the way to making him a bloody mess



Albano begs for mercy (above). Strongbow goes into his war dance (left) but Albano stops him (below). But it's only for a moment. Lou's gonna have trouble!



Albano. It's caused the Chief a lot of pain and he's lost a lot of blood. Yet Albano is still searching for the wrestler who can end Strongbow's career.

Finally, Albano became so frustrated he decided to do something himself.

"I challenge Strongbow," Albano declared, "to a no-holds barred wrestling match."

Strongbow accepted readily, being tired of wrestling Albano's men rather than Albano himself.

"This is what should have happened four years ago," the Chief said when agreed to the match.

When the match itself got underway a month later, Albano surprised nobody when he took out a foreign object almost immediately. He got to the Chief's head with it a few times but Strongbow soon wrestled the weapon away from him before it could do any damage.

With the weapon in his hand, Strongbow avenged his four years of hardship at the hands of Albano's henchmen. Smashing away at Albano's skull, Strongbow soon did what Albano's men have made the Chief do bleed.

Albano leaped out of the ring. Strongbow dragged him back in and continued the punishment. Each smash took away some of the scars, some of the awful memories.

Eventually, Albano's terror was so great that he managed to escape.

Strongbow stood in the center of the ring, hearing the crowd applaud. It was as full and heartfelt as that ovation four years ago. They applauded and shouted knowing that their happiness won't be destroyed this time. □

WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE TORTURED BY **THE SHEIK!**

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One of the most feared weapons in The Sheik's arsenal is his pencil. With it he carves road maps on the face of his opponent, as he does with Mighty Igor (above). When John Tolos tried to give The Sheik a handshake and welcome him to California, the Arab went crazy and attacked John with a wooden leg he broke off a table (left)!

AI FIRST, I just stared in amazement. When he began to sharpen the leg of the press table he smashed, my amazement turned to horror. Then, taking the leg like a spear, he went after me.

"The leg slashed at me, cutting my face and body. For the Sheik, it was also a club. He must have used that weapon to smash my face and body about 30 times. The pain was agonizing only for a short time. Then I grew numb. I had no strength to resist but it didn't hurt anymore. Unhappily, my capacity to feel pain returned about 20 minutes after they tore him off me and had me in the dressing room. It took two weeks before I realized I didn't hurt!"

That's how Chief Jay Strongbow remembers being tortured by the Sheik, acknowledged among professional wrestlers themselves as being the wrestler who most closely resem-



Everything in sight becomes a foreign object when The Sheik's wrestling. Here (left) he chokes the breath out of Fred Blassie with a flag! Fred was rescued by Bobo Brazil. Bobo's had his share of The Sheik's terror (above). The medicated powder thrown in Bobo's face blinded the "Coco" butt expert for many days

Wrestlers shake with fear when they hear the name "The Sheik." Some recall being blinded by the fire he shoots from his hand. Others remember having their flesh ripped apart by one of his foreign objects. In this exclusive feature, some famous wrestlers recall their moment of terror by telling you...

bles a savagely hungry wild animal. The list of men who have suffered from the Sheik's foul tactics reads like a "Who's Who" of professional wrestling greats. The Sheik has managed to maim the best.

The Sheik has three ways he violates the rules in order to torture his opponents. His teeth are like slashing razors that tear at the skin upon an opponent's forehead. He also carries a pencil that he uses to jab and sear at an opponent's head. Lastly, the Sheik is a fire thrower. Somehow, he has managed to shoot fire from his hands. Many wrestlers have been carried from the ring screaming in agony, their faces masses of charred flesh.

"The pain is too great to describe," says Tony Marino, a victim of The Sheik's flames. "It's instantaneous and total. Burns are like no other pain. There's no protection and the

pain doesn't stop for days.

"The really terrifying thing is that you see it coming. There's this bright, incredibly quick flash and then all is blackness. That's because your eyes are so badly scorched that you can't keep them open. With the blackness comes the agony."

Johnny Valentine was temporarily blinded by The Sheik's fire. He couldn't see at all for two weeks. It's still painful for Valentine to recount the full experience.

"It wasn't hot at all," Johnny said, visibly wincing at the horrible memory. "There was no feeling of temperature. At first there was just pain. Seconds later I began to feel heat on my face, like a burning saber scorching the flesh as it tore away skin. The pain was so awful I didn't care about seeing for almost a day. But then there were those two horrible weeks of blackness. The torment won-



Johnny Valentine's forehead is torn to shreds by The Sheik's pencil. Note that John hasn't even taken his robe off yet!



dering if my career was finished was more horrible than the pain!"

Lord Layton is an Englishman who had to cross the Atlantic to experience agony, Sheik style.

"Truly," Layton declares, "wrestling The Sheik was a bloody awful experience. After all, rules are rules, you know, and The Sheik is simply not cricket. The man is uncivilized, not fit for participation in organized athletics. I don't see where misfits of that type should even be allowed in the same country as civilized human beings.

"I bloody well shall never forget when that maniac attacked me with that pencil he so enjoys using. The pain when the dulled point smashes into your forehead is much greater than one would suppose. After all, a pencil shouldn't be that dangerous a weapon. But the pain is truly excruciating.

"What makes it so dangerous is that it isn't a clean hit. The Sheik tears that pencil along the forehead. I don't know which is worse, the pain or the terror that overwhelms one when blood starts pouring into one's eyes. I don't think there is anything so frightening. And don't believe anyone when they tell you that they get used to it. The one hundredth time is just as frightening as the first time."

Ivan Kalmikoff, manager of Mighty Igor, will never forgive The Sheik for biting the flesh from Igor's head.

"Never in my life," Ivan remembers angrily, "have I seen such an animalistic tactic by a human being. Nobody but the Sheik is so horribly effective with his teeth. Instead of The Sheik, he should be called 'the barracuda.'"

John Tolos collapses unconscious outside the ropes (above) after a brutal Sheik pencil treatment.



It's a similar torture for Bobo Brazil (above) as holes are drilled in the back of his neck! Mighty Igor has had all he can take (left) of Sheik's vicious methods. Tony Marino's in charge for a moment (below) in a wild strap match. The Sheik turned the tables and burned Tony with the fire he shoots from his fingers.

"My heart was breaking as I saw innocent Igor being torn by The Sheik's teeth. He ravaged that forehead, tearing off the skin. It's enough to make a man get sick. After the match, Igor just looked at me, his face twisted in pain and confusion. He couldn't understand why I would let him near anyone so evil. If I wasn't so angry, I might have cried!"

One wrestling great who suffered all these and more from the Sheik is Bobo Brazil. Bobo despises the Sheik so much that he will risk any agony to humiliate and defeat his enemy.

"Many people," Bobo points out, "tend to dismiss the powder The Sheik hurls in opponents' eyes as nothing. Believe me, that powder burns as badly as the fire. I think





Tony Marino's in a state of shock (above), after The Sheik shot fire at him. Johnny Valentine's career was ended temporarily when he was shot with fire and blinded (right).



"I was in agony," the popular Luis Martinez recalled after his match against The Sheik. "The guy is totally nuts!"



*"The Sheik's a madman!"
Johnny Powers proclaims.
And John should know.
He's had his hands full
with the Arab (above).
"I'd love to get that
pencil away from him,"
Powers angrily stated.*



It's the powder equivalent of tear gas. You just want to tear your eyes out, they burn so badly. Not to mention, it makes you start to choke and all you want to do is lie down. It's a terrifying experience. Terrifying is the only word for it.

"The Sheik is out for blood. I don't even think he cares about winning. I'll never understand why he became a wrestler instead of a professional killer."

Naturally, you'll find people who enjoy The Sheik's tactics and respect his cruel expertise. In fact, The Sheik's ability is probably the only area in which Freddie Blassie and John Tolos agree.

Blassie, who is often called "Vampire" because of his biting, thinks the Sheik is the second greatest biter in wrestling history.

"Next to me," Blassie says admiringly, "The Sheik has the most talented teeth in wrestling. Biting is a craft, to be done well takes unlimited talent. Watching The Sheik tear the skin off somebody's forehead is a privilege few fans appreciate. Even when he does it to me, the pain is tormenting but you have to admire the man's class."

Tolos is more impressed with the Sheik's pencil than with his teeth.

"When that thing smashes into your skull," Tolos says, "the pain is so agonizing that you have to admire the man who gave it to you. You're angry when it happens, of course, but when the pain subsides, you've got to appreciate the skill with which he wields the thing."

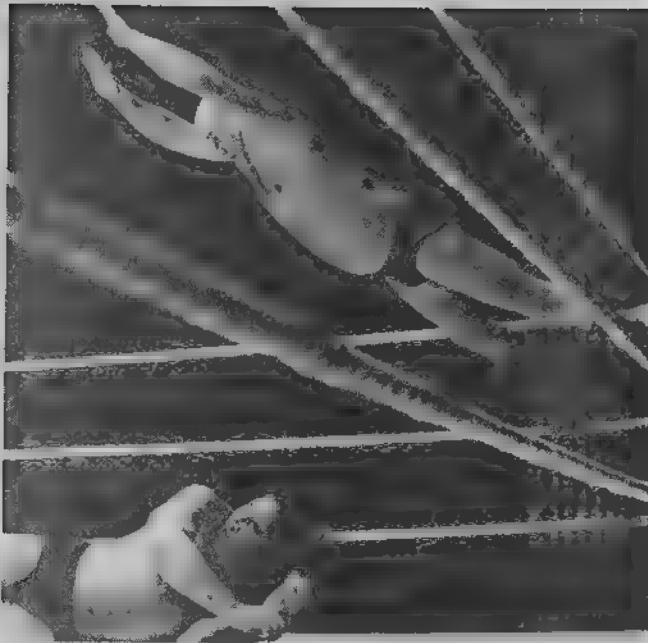
"If anyone had told me that a little pencil would be the most feared object in wrestling, I would have called them crazy. The pain is so horrible, I think I'd rather be burned than have that thing tearing and pounding my skull."

While nobody can agree which illegal tactic of The Sheik's is most painful, they all agree with Johnny Powers when he was asked to rate which one caused the greatest anguish.

"Agony is agony," he said, "so why bother to rate them. They, and The Sheik, should all be avoided."

So why do men risk their careers, perhaps their lives, by wrestling The Sheik?

"You just remember the times," Luis Martinez says, "that The Sheik has left the ring a bloody mess. For that, you'd risk fire, powder, pencil, and yes, even your career." □



Look out below! Harley Race tries to fly onto Jack Brisco (above) and Jack's moving out of the way! Race is up in the air again (right) but not by his own doing. Jack slammed him.



A U.F.O.? NO... IT'S HARLEY RACE

PHOTOS By STEVE GOLDSTIEN

LOOK! UP IN the sky! Is it a bird? A plane? No. It's Harley Race. And he's none too happy about it.

Jack Brisco tossed Race around until Harley's head was spinning twice as fast as his body. It was one of those nights when Race was doomed to do nothing right. Everything he did played into Jack Brisco's hands.

Of course, Race was the victim of a well-thought out and brilliantly executed plan devised by Jack. It meant something very special to Jack to conclusively defeat the man from whom he won the title. This match was to prove beyond a doubt that the championship match was no fluke.

"I've got to control the entire match," Jack said to his brother, Jerry, before the match. "There can

be no question in anyone's mind that I'm the superior wrestler."

"Are you considering devising a new game plan for the match?" Jerry asked. "Because if you are, I think I've got an idea."

"What?" Jack asked, beginning to get excited.

"Well, if you were Race," Jerry began, "what would you be looking out for?"

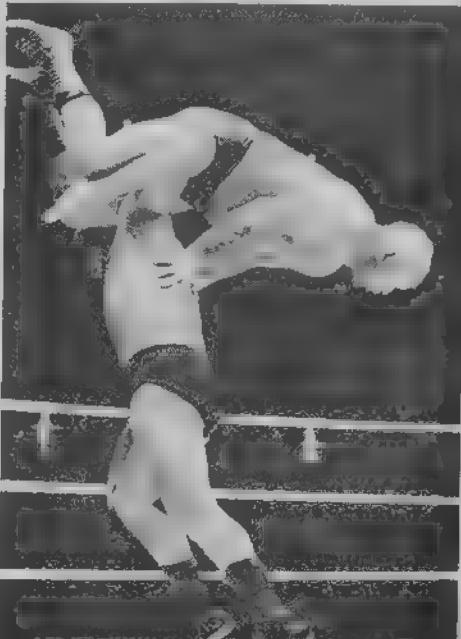
"The figure-four leglock," Jack answered immediately, naming the hold that has become his trademark.

"Right!" Jerry agreed. "So he will be very careful not to get too close to the mat. He doesn't want to get close to a sitting position because that's how he'll be trapped."

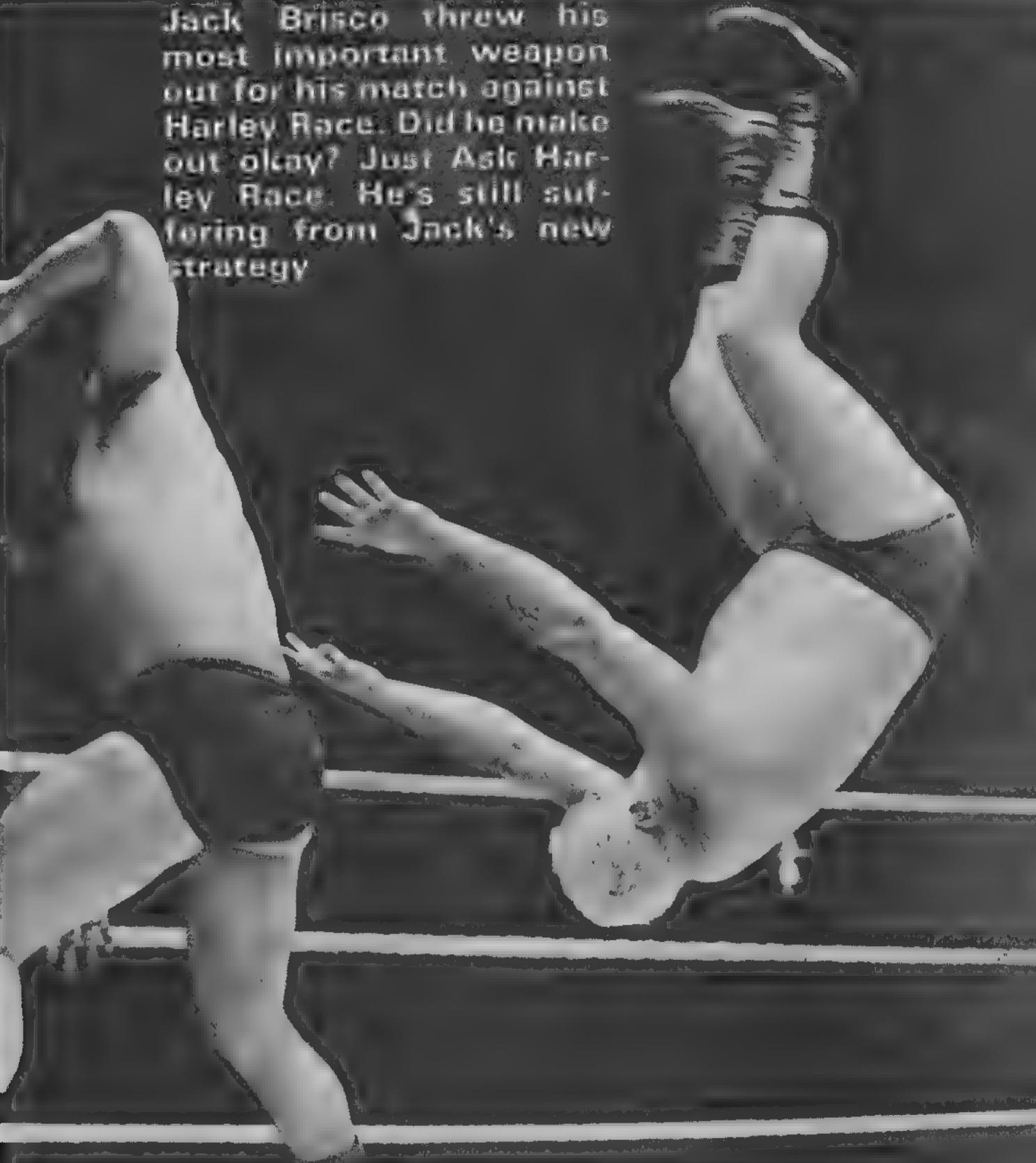
"So," Jerry continued, "it would make sense to pursue Race where he wants to be. He'll give you less

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Ooh. It's gonna hurt when Harley lands. He spent very little time on the mat due to Jack's strategy.



Jack Brisco threw his most important weapon out for his match against Harley Race. Did he make out okay? Just Ask Harley Race. He's still suffering from Jack's new strategy.



WRESTLER ON THE

"HOTSEAT"

The "Hotseat" is not a comfortable place to be. When we put a wrestler on the "Hotseat" we interview him. But it is more than just an interview. It is a no-holds-barred question and answer forum that probes beyond the obvious and seeks to find out what others are afraid to ask. The "Hotseat" pulls no punches and plays no favorites. It is the kind of in-depth feature you'll find nowhere else!

KILLER KOWALSKI SNARLS:

**"EVERYBODY'S
TERRIFIED
OF ME!"**



Q: Welcome to the "Hotseat" Killer.

A: Thank you. What's on your mind?

Q: First of all, do you feel you've lived up to the nickname "Killer?"

A: I think my opponents feel I have lived up to it.

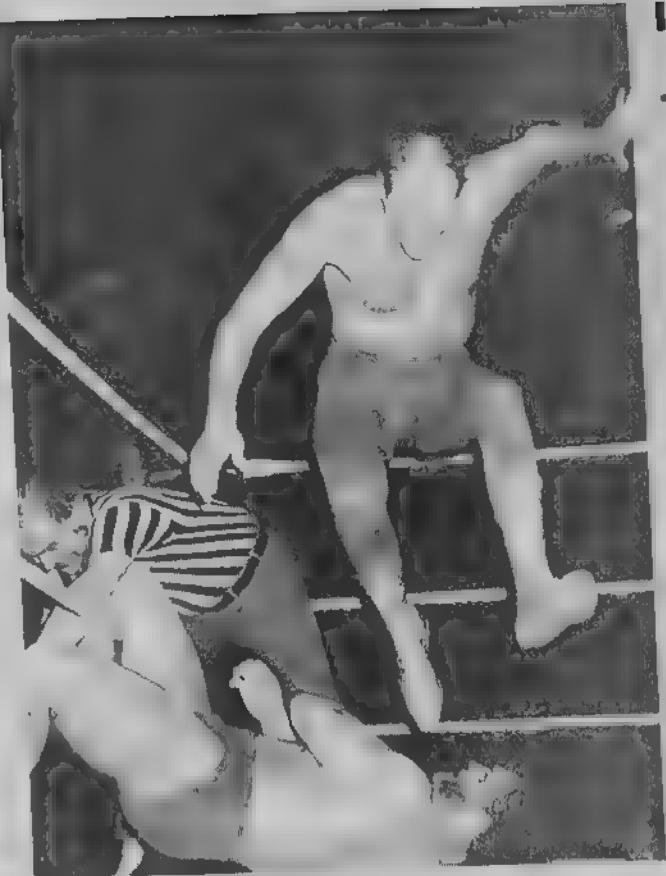
Q: But do you?

A: No. You see I'm just an aggressive wrestler. Given the opportunity, my opponents would be just as aggressive. As a matter of fact, sometimes they try more dirty tricks than I do and the fans cheer

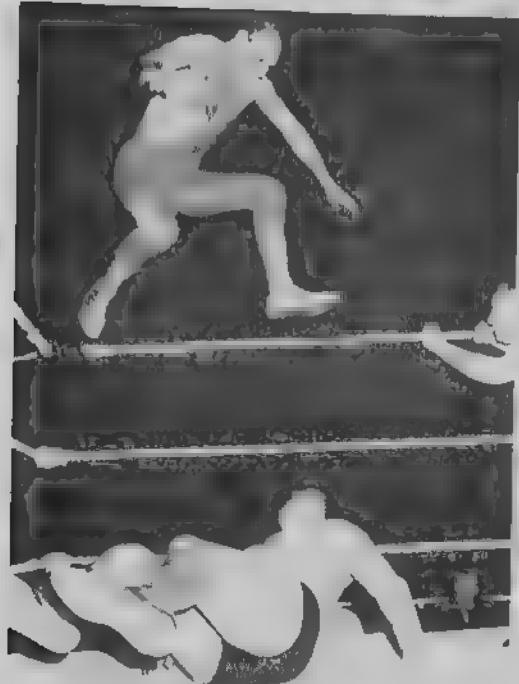
**"I LAUGHED WHEN
I CHOPPED YUKON'S
EAR OFF!"
—KILLER KOWALSKI**



A rare sight (right)—Don Leo Jonathan taking a beating. But in house bouts against Kowalski, Don gets back what he dishes out. If you like action-packed, brutal matches, see one of theirs. The Kowalski "Superstomp" is about to take its toll on Andre The Giant (below).



Killer's feud with Edouard Carpentier (below) ranks as one of wrestling's hottest.



Q: You say you're a rule abiding wrestler. Okay, in many parts of the world you wear a mask. Your opponents claim you wear it so you can hide a foreign object up there and then butt them with it. Now that's illegal isn't it?

A: You can't go around making those kind of accusations. I've never been caught with a foreign object in that mask. They might think I use a weapon in there. You see, because I'm a better wrestler they try and find an excuse for losing, and that's it. They're just jealous of me.

Q: You mean they're trying to justify their losses?

A: That's putting it perfectly. Look, it's not a shame to lose a match to the great Killer Kowalski. Just the fact they stepped in the ring against me proves they're top championship caliber.

Q: Could they remember the match against you for the rest of their lives?

A: They'd remember the punishment for the rest of their lives, no doubt about that. They can tell their grandchildren 'I wrestled Killer Kowalski.'

Q: One guy who'll tell that to his grandchildren is Edouard Car-



pentier. The two of you have wrestled dozens of times and you really seem to hate each other with a passion. What started this feud?

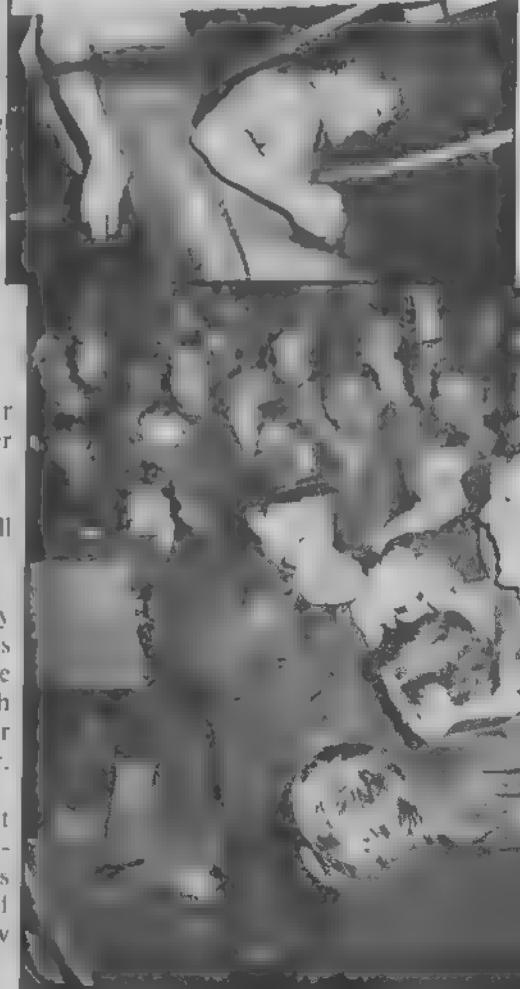
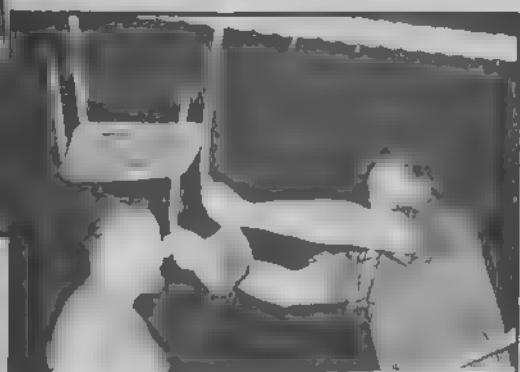
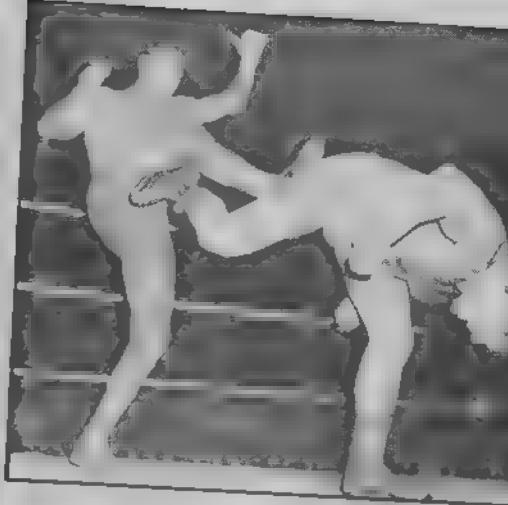
A: Carpentier keeps insisting he can topple me. Wherever he wrestles I go into that area and prove him wrong by beating him. I've got his number. That's why he hates me. He realizes I'm a bigger man than him. I won't take away from his ability, he's got a lot of it.

Q: How would you categorize him in your ratings?

them on. The people don't see my point. I'm not a dirty wrestler. I just don't let my opponents get the best of me.

Q: Has anyone ever "bested" you?

A: You've never seen me bleed. I'm not a bleeder. I'm the doctor in that ring. If anybody's gonna have an operation performed on them, I perform the operation.



A: Some of my toughest matches were against him. But I'm bigger and better than he is

Q: During a recent "Hotseat" interview, Don Leo Jonathan said some pretty nasty and some pretty good things about you. What are your feelings towards him?

A: He is a very unique wrestler. Not only being a big strong man, he can move like I've never seen smaller men do. He's a fast son of a gun. He can dropkick, do flying headscissors and other flying tactics. He's a tough guy, no doubt about it. In fact, whenever we wrestle, whew, I ache the next day. My whole body hurts.

Q: Thanks for that honest look at Jonathan. Now turning to something a little unpleasant. Many years ago you tore off Yukon Eric's ear with one of your flying kneedrops. Do you regret what you did?

A: No, I thought it was rather humorous

Q: You thought that was funny?

A: Oh yeah. When it fell off I looked at it and laughed and laughed. HA, HA, HA!

Q: You were laughing when you chopped his ear off?

A: Yeah, and after the match I looked at Eric and man, was it funny! You've got to admit it was funny! HA, HA, HA!

Killer says he's not a rule breaker, just an aggressive wrestler. Try to tell that to his opponent (above) and he'll probably laugh in your face. Killer and Carpentier trade kicks (above right). "Carpentier breaks the rules often," Kowalski claims. When Don Leon Jonathan and the Killer were friends, Don tried to help Killer in his match against Carpentier. But Ed ducked and it backfired (right). Killer causes a major riot in Montreal (below right).

Q: You laughed in his face?

A: Right!

Q: Isn't that sadistic?

A: No. No To see a man with his ear missing is funny. Did you ever see a guy with a missing ear?

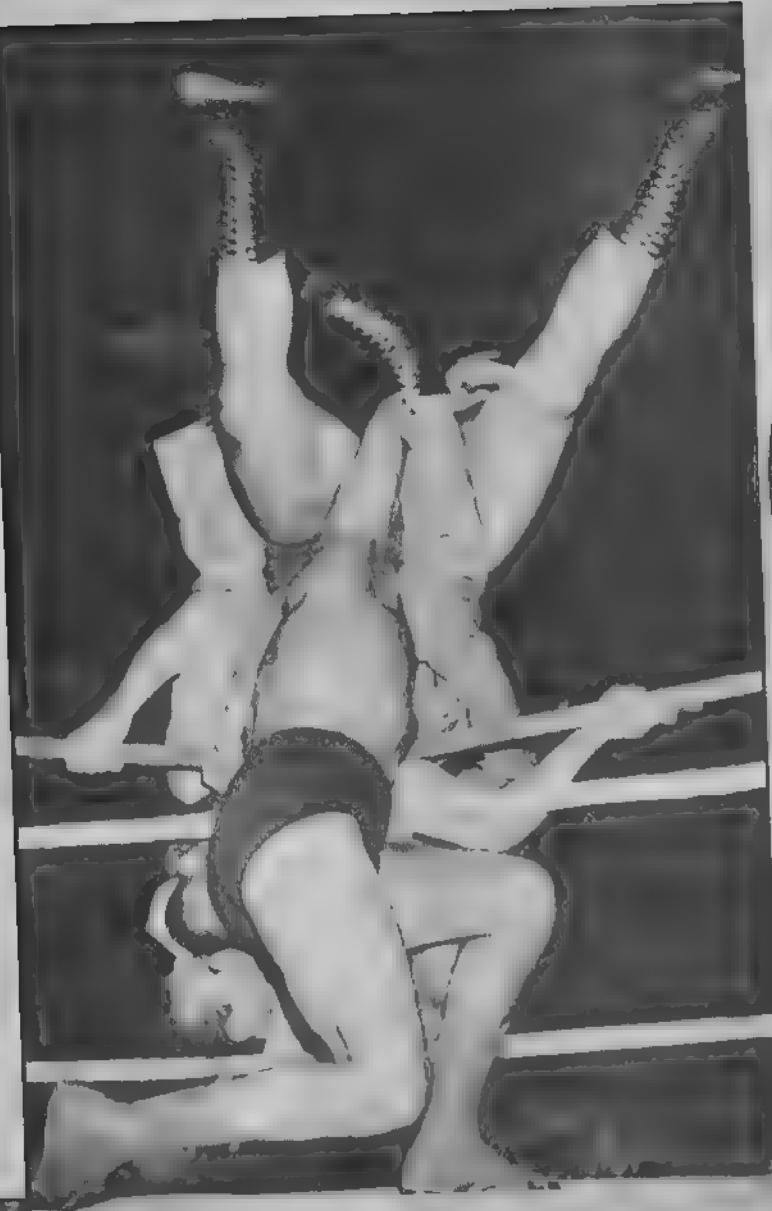
Q: No.

A: Well, if you do see it you'll laugh.

Q: You think so?

A: That's correct. The real funny part about it was that it threw his balance off. Especially when he walked down the street in a high wind. It'd catch that one good ear and spin him around like a rudder. HA!

Q: I think we've heard enough about that. You are credited with inventing the claw hold. Just how does your claw compare with that of Fritz Von Erich, the other claw master?



**"I'M A STRONG OBEYER
OF THE RULES"
—KILLER KOWALSKI**



Showing his tremendous strength, Killer hoists Gene Kiniski and referee Mike Mazurki over the ropes.

A: No. People have a misconception about me. They think I'm just a sadistic animal. A violent person. I'm just a, well, not a pussycat. Let's call me a tame tiger.

Q: You're a vegetarian. You won't eat meat. However, you do wrestle like an animal hungry for a meat dinner.

A: I don't eat my opponents, though I just leave the pieces of body lying where they fall.

Q: Anything else you'd like to add?

A: I'm getting a complex. The truth is I can't find a single wrestler who really likes me. In fact, it seems like everyone is out to hurt me. What are they trying to do? Run a vendetta for all the men I've injured?

Q: Do you feel like they've put a bounty on your head?

A: That's a good way to put it. The top gunmen are after me. They want to shoot me and get my top rating. If they just want my belts, my trophies, they can have them. I don't need them. I usually give 'em away anyhow. I can't be bothered with that stuff. I'd rather get money than a trophy.

Q: Even the title belt — I mean would you give that away?

A: Probably. I don't need a belt to prove how great I am.

Q: Thank you Killer

A: It was a pleasure. □



A: Fritz' is not the same. He applies it to the brain while I apply the claw on my opponent's stomach. I have been using the stomach claw for many years. But I'll tell you something. Some of the wrestlers lately have such finely developed stomachs, it's hard to claw them effectively. Their stomachs are like a cement wall. I have to kick them in the stomach a few times to soften them up for the claw. But by the time I get finished kicking them, I can almost beat them anyway, so I don't have to use the claw.

Q: What would you do if they outlawed the claw?

A: If enough pressure was put on me to drop it, I would. Remember, I'm a strong obeyer of the rules.

Q: Wait a minute! That's baloney!

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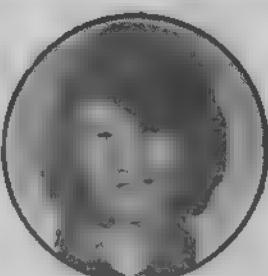
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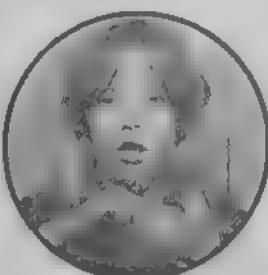
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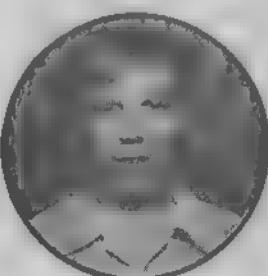
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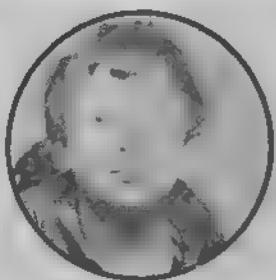
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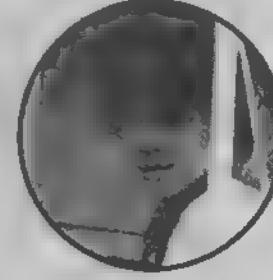
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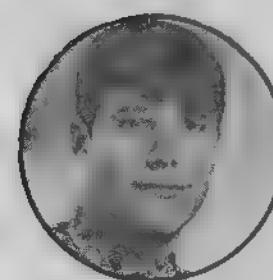
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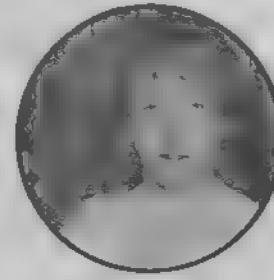
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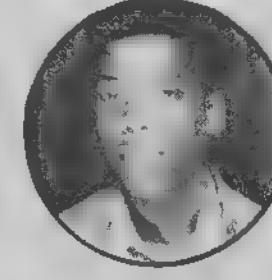
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Tolos his favorite
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SINCERELY YOURS

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Fans have backed Pampero Firpo now that he's no longer wrestling guys they love, like Bobo (right). They'd rather see him against men like The Sheik (above).

Jack has proven that he can appreciate talent in others as well as in himself. That takes a professional and a gentleman.

However, I have to disagree with Jack on one thing—there is nobody alive who can take his title from him. Jack Brisco is the best and there's no way to get around that.

Jack said he hoped that his reign will go down as the greatest in wrestling history. He has nothing to worry about in that area.

All who truly love wrestling must love Jack Brisco!

RANDY HAVEN
Savannah, Ga.

THE GREAT PAMPERO

I have followed very closely your articles detailing Pampero Firpo's change of philosophy. To me, Pampero has become the most exciting man in wrestling.

Your account of his latest match against The Sheik (INSIDE WRESTLING June '74) was the latest chapter in wrestling's most interesting



story. Every match that Pampero manages to wrestle scientifically is an act of courage. His is a great quest to forsake the past and start over again.

We are with you, Pampero. Real wrestling fans everywhere applaud your courage and determination.

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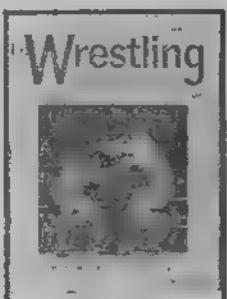
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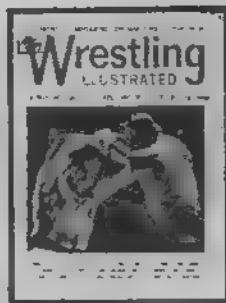
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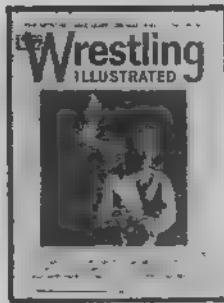
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Shane's features. Shane didn't say how in both matches his tactics would have been frowned upon in a gutter, which is about par for the course for Bobby.

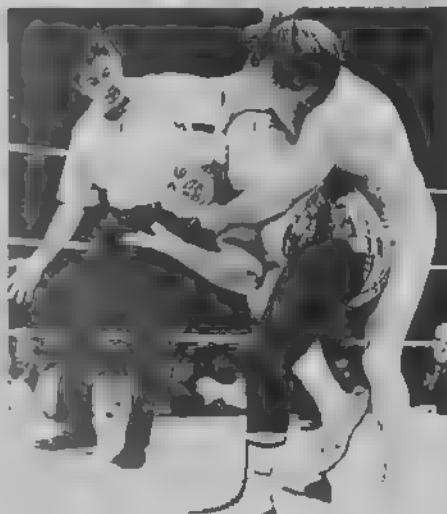
That didn't matter to Shane, who could think of nothing but the throbbing on the left side of his face. His anger was uncontrollable and nobody bothered to calm him down. The inside of the dressing room reverberated with his screams

"How can they call that slob a clean wrestler?" Shane asked everyone and no one. "How can they call him anything in mixed company? Look at this!" he'd scream and shove his battered face toward an innocent bystander to inspect the damage

They let Shane rant and rave until he was tired. Then he stepped into his limousine and his valet, Winston, drove him home.

But Shane wasn't through. When Bobby Shane gets angry there is no stopping him. The next week, Shane was being interviewed on television. The interviewer was careful not to mention the Woods match and the discoloration still visible around Bobby's eye. When Shane discovered nobody else would bring up the subject of Tim Woods, he brought up his enemy's name himself

"Tim Woods," Shane said quietly but quickly working his way up to a scream, "is the most dangerous phony ever to wrestle. He has fooled the fans, who don't see the subtle ways he cheats and maims



his opponents. He has fooled the referees, which is no great accomplishment. He makes me sick the way he comes on like such a goody-goody while he's actually the most reprehensible cheat ever to pollute a wrestling arena. I've been there and I know

"Many of you," Shane went on, "will be taken in by his lies because you're none too bright. That's why I'm compelled to tell you the truth. Tim Woods is the dirtiest, most vicious wrestler in the world today. Be the first on your block to know the truth."

Naturally, the people who ran the program felt guilty that Shane could say those things without Woods being there defending himself. After the program the producer called Woods and invited him to speak. Tim declined the invitation

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"When I have to worry," Tim explained, "about what Bobby Shane says about me, then I'll get into some other line of work. I'm not proud of what I did to Shane in those matches. But I'm not ashamed, either. He pushed me beyond the limit of my endurance and I gave him some of his own medicine. I thought it would teach him a lesson. I guess you can't teach a mad dog any tricks."

Shane is still angry about the beating he suffered and his slanders about Woods continue. However, he is yet to be believed.

"I can't understand it," Shane says. "Some people just can't accept the truth. Sooner or later, they've got to believe me, don't they?"

Not necessarily, Bobby. Not necessarily. □



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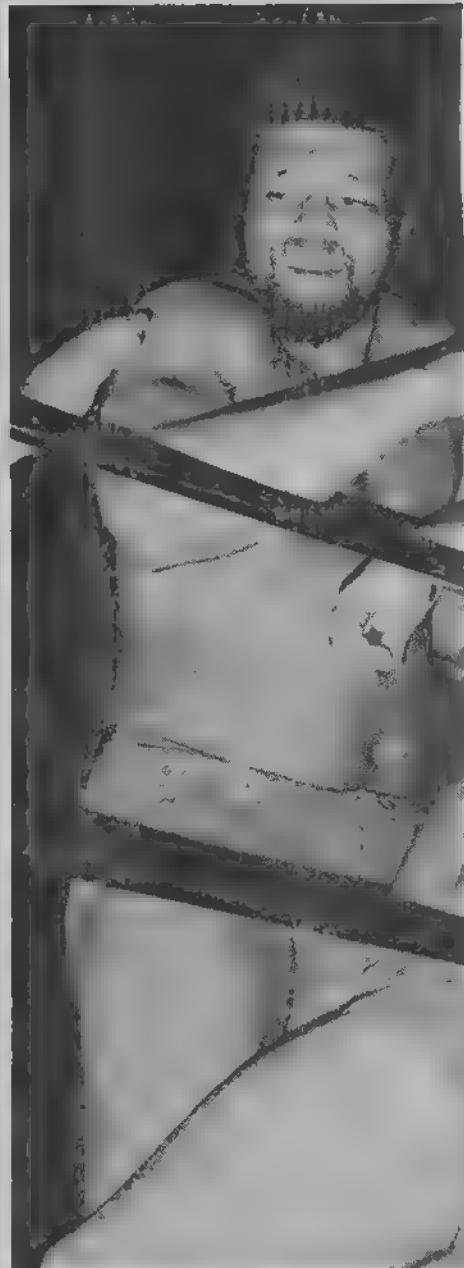
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I FIRED ERNIE



I told Ladd not to use illegal tactics when wrestling Crusher (above). But he went against my wishes. When I was bloodied up by Bruiser and Bruno Sammartino (left) Ladd didn't even help me.

Bruno Sammartino and Bruiser, I told Ernie to remain cool and I'd get a rematch in the works. The guy wouldn't wait.

He went right to the wrestling commission and demanded a rematch. When he left their office the commissioner called me. He was outraged. "Why the heck did you send Ladd up here?" he asked.

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The crybaby's got to be consoled by me after a fan called him a bad name. Ladd has no class.

"He did everything but tear the office apart. That's the most unprofessional thing I've ever come up against. Mr. Heenan, you're not the diplomat we thought you were."

So, Ladd gave me a bad name with the wrestling commission. Now it's almost impossible for me to even get an appointment with them. However, due to Ladd's actions, we were sent a telegram refusing a return tag team title match.

So I immediately put in a request for the Valiants and it was accepted. You know the rest. They wrestled the title away from Bruno and Bruiser very convincingly.

So Ernie Ladd can accuse me of doing bad things to him but the truth of the matter is he's stubborn! Hard-headed would be a better word. If he makes an honest effort to change his ways I might honor his contract, which, by the way, he had signed over to me for the next few years. I still have a legal hold on him. So if I want him back I'll have him back. But not on the same terms. He's got to listen to me and me only.

Wrestlers from all over the world send me photos and beg me to manage them. I can choose from thousands! I don't need Ernie Ladd. He needs me. Because a body with no brains is useless!

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'em (right) and lost
'em cause of him.
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and I would have gladly brought tag team titles his way. But no. He chose to ignore me. He must have a screw loose.

I didn't realize Heenan was giving me the short end of the stick until I overheard him talking to another wrestler. "Look," he said, "I've got



Finally I got so fed up with Heenan. I attacked the bum. I don't think we'll ever become business partners again.

to find a way to drop Ladd I can't give my full span of attention to the Valiants with him around. He demands all my time."

Man, was that a shock! Here was a guy I trusted, a guy I befriended. He stabbed me in the back.

I've never said this before, but as a manager Heenan just doesn't know how to play his cards right. There were many opportunities I passed up in other parts of the country just to appear somewhere for Heenan so he'd make some dough. And look at the thanks I got. He wanted to do away with me.

Bobby Heenan, I vow to get even with you, somehow, someday. Don't think I'll forget you. I won't. I want an explanation from you and if it's not a good one, I mean a real good one, baby, I'll hand your head to you!

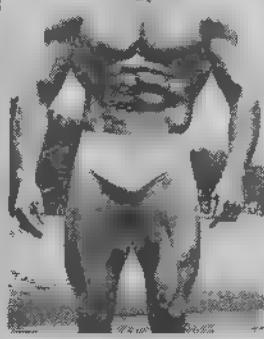
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John's hand and the air was able to fill Victor's aching lungs

But Rivera couldn't relax. He had to get the chain from around his neck. Victor could feel the links rubbing against the bones in his fingers as he struggled to get the chain over his head.

Finally, after what seemed like an eternity to Rivera, the chain was over his neck. But Big Bad John was not to be denied.

Again the chain whizzed through the air. But this time, instead of encircling his head, the links smashed into Victor's face. Skin was torn away all over his face and blood spurted over the canvas.

Victor exploded! You could see the stiffening of his muscles as he tried to control himself. He became rigid for perhaps three seconds and then he went out of control.

John couldn't believe it even when it was over. Victor wrapped the chain around his fist and smashed John in the face. The blood that poured from the many wounds that blow inflicted made John's face identical to Victor's.

The stunned John couldn't react when Rivera returned the compliment and began to choke him. But Victor wasn't happy with that. He flew outside the ring so he could twist John's neck around the rope. When John was hauled over the cord by his neck, Victor jumped up and began stomping on Big Bad John's face. His foot plowed into John's face time and again. When he tired of the stomping, he went back to choking.

With an ugly, evil grin, Rivera cruelly twisted the chain around Big Bad John's neck. The man writhed in agony on the floor, gurgling helplessly. Even the fans screamed for Rivera to stop! But the grin on his face announced to everyone that Rivera was enjoying himself too much to stop!

Finally, the referee and two special policemen tore Rivera off of the semi-conscious Big Bad John. Once Rivera was dragged off his helpless opponent, the arena doctor ran in and ordered Big Bad John to be taken to the hospital.

Later, as Victor was being stitched up and otherwise attended to, he was obviously shaken by the experience. He had to face the fact he had enjoyed torturing Big Bad John. He had become, during those horrible minutes, everything his whole career had always been against. He was as bad as those he hated.

"Nobody can be blamed," Manny Soto said, hoping to console him, "for your losing your temper against Big Bad John. It was an insane test. It's only natural you'd respond in kind to his brutality. A real test wouldn't be as difficult."

"Of course it would," Victor shouted. "that's what makes it a test. Look, I'm a professional and one of the things I'm paid to do is keep myself in control. Tonight I wasn't a professional but an animal. If I can't do what I know is right, then I've got nothing to win and nothing to lose. I might as well quit."

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Lil prepares to body slam Dagmar (left) in a Montreal battle. In California, they force the referee into action (above). Lil stomps Dagmar (below) hoping to end the blonde's career.

fuses to allow the sport she loves be headed by an athlete like Diamond Lil.

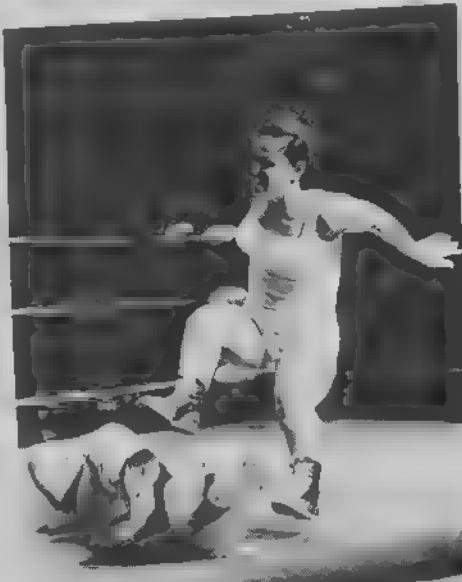
"When I wrestle," Dagmar declares, "all the pain and cruelty I have suffered in my life because of my size vanishes. What I do in my profession I do as well as anyone can. But when someone like Diamond Lil claims the championship, it hurts us all. It takes the dignity away from our accomplishments. That's why I can't sit back and let Diamond Lil shoot off her big mouth. My integrity depends on shutting her up!"

When the two women are matched, they wrestle like both their lives depend on it! They're like two enraged wildcats tearing at each other's throat. There is nothing Diamond Lil won't do to Dagmar.

"She's become a real pain," Lil says. "I can't turn around without that glory seeker trying to make me look bad. I may have to end her career just to get her out of my hair!"

But that is easier said than done. Darling Dagmar is doing her best to make Lil's claim to the title seem empty. She is more than willing to put her career on the line if it means helping the sport that has so helped her.

It has gotten to the point in their tempestuous feud where it's hard



even to get referees for the matches. The two women get so violent any referee who tries to do his job runs the risk of finding himself in the middle of their brutal brawl.

So far neither woman has proven her point. Some nights Lil holds the advantage, other nights Dagmar sends her furiously to defeat. Neither girl sees an end to the feud.

"Neither one of us can stop pursuing the other and hold her head high again," Dagmar says with quiet determination. "Lil has to keep accepting my challenges or admit she's not the true champion. If I stop, it's as good as saying Lil



Both girls wrestle feverishly (above and below) during two separate battles. "Dagmar is not going to win my title," Lil stresses. "No one will."



is the champion."

But what about the continual physical beating Dagmar must suffer as the brunt of Lil's dirty tactics?

"I know what to expect," Dagmar says, "and I prepare myself mentally. If you take the pain as a matter of course, it's not so bad. As long as I believe there is nothing Lil can do to make me give up, I'm alright. If I quit because of the pain, everything I believe in becomes false. I'd rather be dead than give up. If I do give up, I might as well be dead." □

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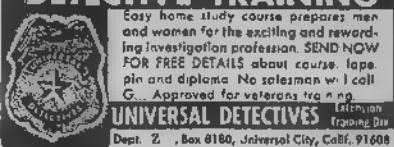
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WRESTLING CAPITALS

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Pampero Firpo (above) was the victim of a sneak attack by Ben Justice. Buddy Colt (left) was disqualified for using brass knuckles on Ron Fuller.



OHIO REPORT BY Don Garner Jr.

Ben Justice went berserk before, during, and after his match with Pampero Firpo.

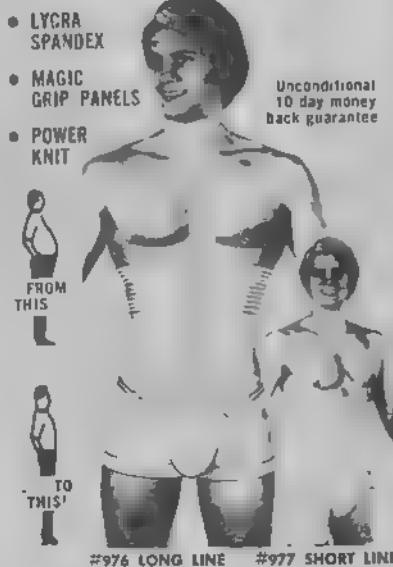
Before the bell sounded, Justice attacked Pampero from behind. Firpo hadn't even climbed through the ropes yet when Justice slammed him to the concrete and began hitting him with a chair. And he had only just begun.

The referee disqualified Justice and Ben battered the official unconscious for doing his job. And when the ring announcer tried to tell the fans of the referee's decision, Justice slammed his fist into the announcer's head and knocked the man unconscious. Finally, the special police entered and dragged Justice from the arena.

It was a bad night for referees. During the Bobo Brazil-Killer Brooks brawl, Bobo was in control until the referee was accidentally knocked out. Brazil went to aid the referee, giving Brooks a chance to get the foreign object from his trunks. Then he flew at Bobo's back.

It looked like Bobo would be beaten senseless until Wild Bull Curry flew to his aid. Unfortunately, the referee revived when Curry was going after Brooks. He was then forced to disqualify Bobo for outside interference! □

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But Colt isn't one of the most vicious wrestlers in the world by default. In moments, he was kicking and gouging. Ron was almost helpless beneath the onslaught.

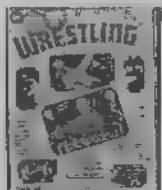
Ron managed to regain his senses and the match proceeded furiously. Ron had the advantage again when Colt caught him and the referee with a hard punch! While the two were down, the standing Colt took out brass knuckles from his trunks. When Ron got to his feet, Colt levelled him with a vicious punch to the temple.

Colt flopped on Ron for the pin. The referee was about to award the match to Buddy when Ron punched Buddy in the stomach, making the brass knuckles he had hidden under his arm fall to the mat. Seeing the knucks, the referee then awarded the match to Fuller.

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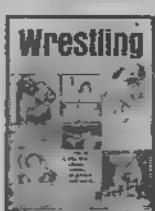
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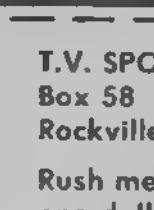
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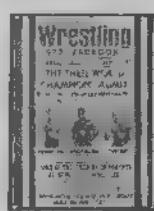
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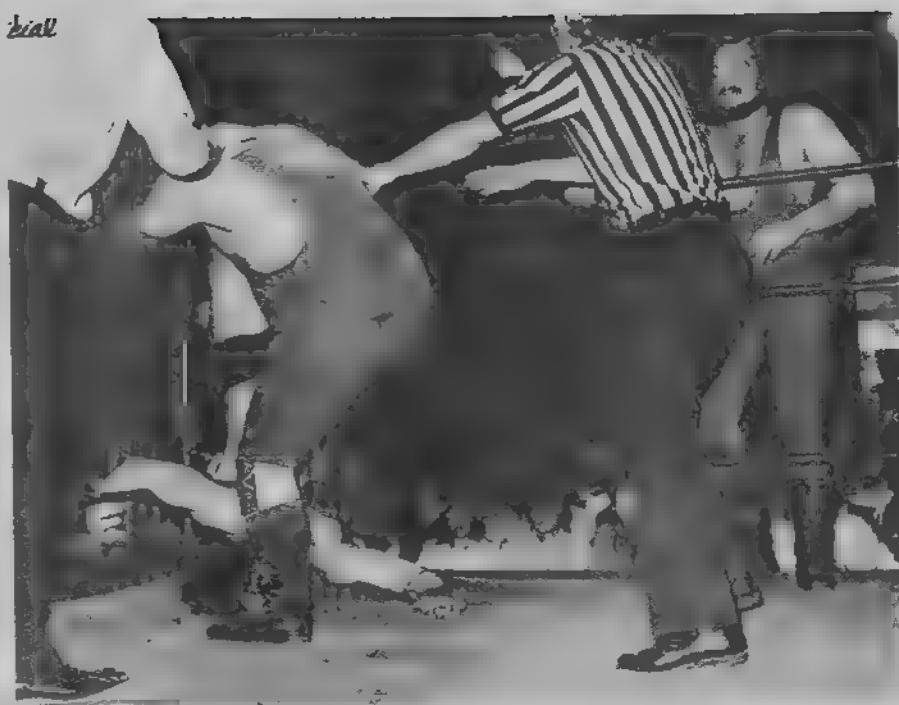
KANGAROOS

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much more than it hurts you. The Royal Kangaroos are practicing more than enough. It's gotten to the point where their opponents can be knocked unconscious and the Royal Kangaroos won't even feel anything. They have raised the headbutt and other skullsmashes to the level of art—an ugly, vicious art.

Two days after taking his beating, El Mongol still had lumps on his head and scratches on his face. Doctors found the wrestler suffered a slight concussion during the bout and they were worried about complications that might result. Nevertheless, El Mongol had some things on his mind he wanted publicized.

"They're not even athletes," Mongol hissed angrily. "They're animals with no dignity. They're headhunters, plain and simple, and revolting. I always had hoped there was a sense of responsibility between wrestlers. These men have no sense at all."



Mongol's tied up in the corner and he's being kicked in the head. "They wouldn't let up," he said after the match. "I thought my head would bust wide open. Man, was it painful!"

El Mongol went on to say how headhunters can destroy a man's life. As far as most professional

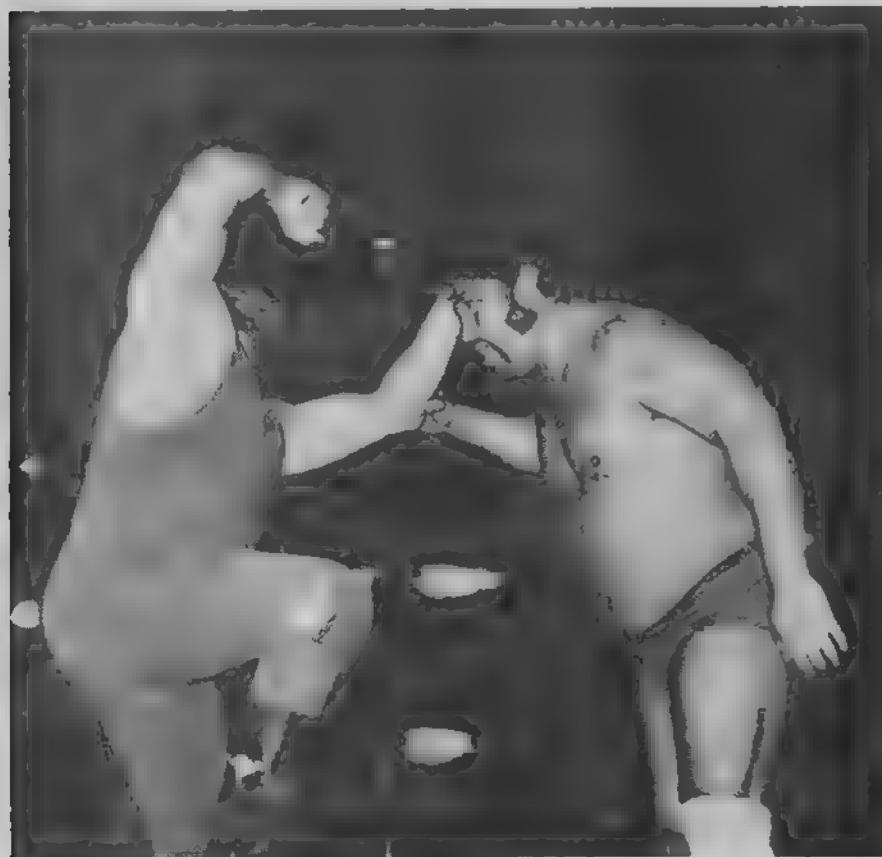
wrestlers are concerned, headhunters are the lowest and most vicious of all wrestlers. El Mongol said the Royal Kangaroos should be stopped, either by promoters or officials.

"And if it can't be done legally," Mongol said with an icy determination, "it should be done any other way possible. Headhunters are as good as murderers and should be treated as such."

Despite the growing anger at the Royal Kangaroos' trail of smashed skulls, Jonathan Boyd and Norman Fredrick Charles III continue to crack the heads of all those unfortunate enough to wrestle them.

Those who grapple against them now are solely interested in ending the Royal Kangaroo reign of terror. El Mongol has wrestled them again and did what he could to maim the pair. But he also suffered through a series of headbutts and punches. He won't be able to do that much longer.

Until they are stopped or have a change of direction, the Royal Kangaroos will continue to inflict permanent brain damage on opponents. The results of their tactics will not be seen for years, until their opponents' speech slurs and their sense of balance deteriorates. Then it will be too late to place the blame on those who deserve it. □



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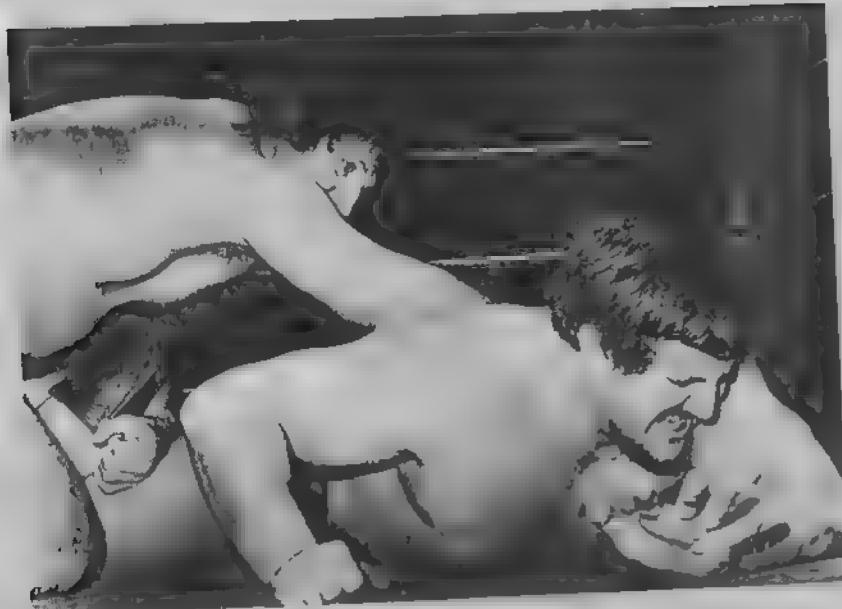
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BRUNO

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Bruno has Nikoli screaming in pain (above) as he punishes him with a devastating toehold. Volkoff is on the receiving end again (below) as Bruno applies pressure on a hammerlock.



have gotten his wish, had he played his cards right.

But he blew it. Nikoli was stopped. Stopped by Bruno Sammartino, a clever and talented champion.

Nikoli had two shots at Sammartino. For the first Blassie made sure the Siberian ate, slept and drank training. Hours and hours each day Fred worked diligently to get Nikoli in the best possible shape. He even taught Volkoff how to bite. Yes, bite. The trademark of Blassie was now being handed down to his protégé.

Weeks later, as match time drew near, Nikoli was in superb condition. But what Blassie failed to realize was that Bruno was also in superb condition. So when they squared off it was obvious these two well-built, powerful athletes, could wrestle for hours. But, unfortunately, the 11:p.m. curfew set down for wrestling halted the battle, leaving Fred right back where he started.

Bruno, who respects the strength of Volkoff, agreed to wrestle him in a no time limit, no holds barred brawl. Bruno was looking forward to matching his strength against Volkoff's. Bruno loves those kind of battles.

Again Blassie put Volkoff through his paces in training. Nikoli wrestled as often as he could within the few weeks preceding the match. And he looked good. But something was happening. Something new. A new viciousness was setting in on him. His eyes appeared full of fire. His attitude became that of a berserk maniac. If this was the Nikoli Volkoff who was to again wrestle Bruno, Bruno had better be careful. This was not the same man!

Fans all around the east began talking about Volkoff's bitter attitude. They feared for Bruno, the champion they love so much. Nikoli was leaving bloody bodies in the ring at every arena. They were genuinely afraid that if he could get the jump on Bruno their champion might wind up the same way.

Blassie seemed even more proud

of his man. Volkoff was becoming as vicious as his manager. And Fred was pulling no punches. He taught Nikoli every dirty trick the Siberian giant needed to know how to wipe out any opponent.

Those who know Bruno well know he's not a scared man. He doesn't back off from his opponents. But going in for punishment at the hands of Volkoff could be a mistake. It was hoped Bruno might be able to stay away from him for awhile. But Bruno likes to go into the ring and finish his business as soon as he can.

Speculation on the night of the match was split. Many favored Bruno while an equal number of people seemed to sway in favor of Volkoff. They knew Blassie had a well-trained wrestling machine in his power. A robot that would obey his every order.

Blassie gave Volkoff last minute instructions before he went out to do battle against Bruno. Bruno was aware this match would not be the same. He knew all about Volkoff's new, hungry attitude. He was going to be careful, extra careful.

There are several things you never do in wrestling. You never hit a referee, you never slug a fan. And another rule is don't disturb Bruno's ceremony. Yes, ceremony. Before the bell sounds he kneels in the corner on one knee and recites a small prayer.

Volkoff made the mistake of becoming the first man, as far as is known, to attack Bruno during this ritual. And because of this, Bruno, who took a beating after he was caught off guard, set Volkoff up as an example to other wrestlers never to do it again. For he whipped Volkoff convincingly. Sure, the two traded many scientific holds. But in the long run Bruno came out on top.

Blassie should have known better. He should have told Nikoli not to sneak attack Bruno at that moment. He left that out of the training sessions. All the other training went right out the window. If only Fred had said something to Volkoff about it there was a chance Nikoli and Fred could have made wrestling history. Blassie could have been the first active wrestler to manage a world champion.

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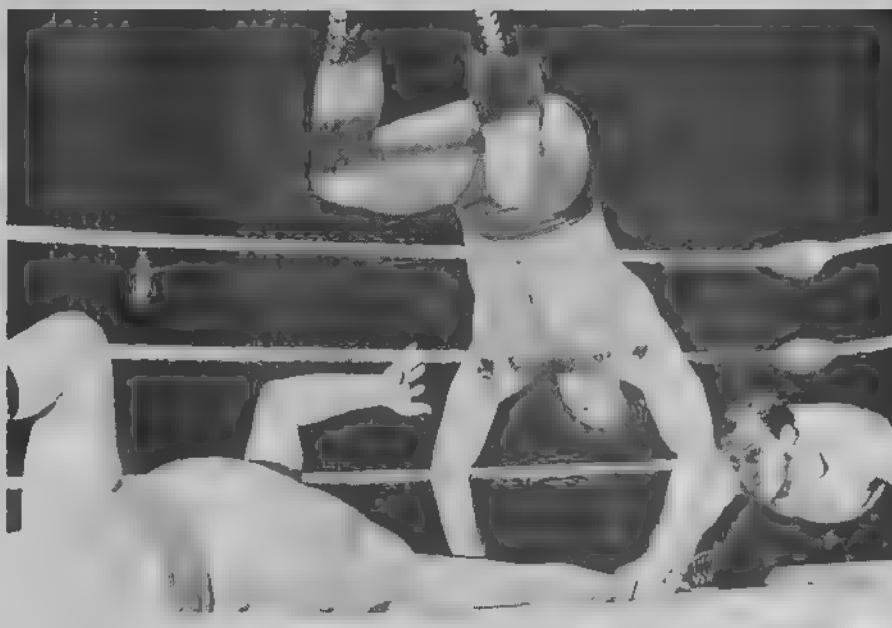
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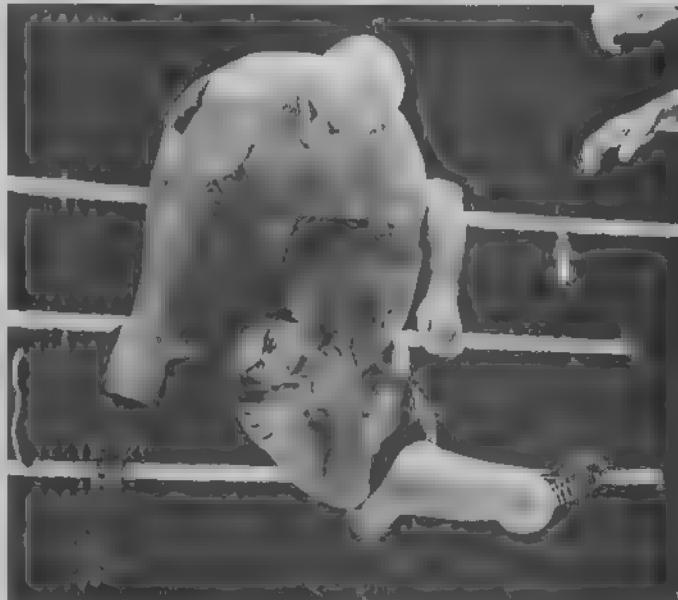
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HARLEY RACE

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It's Jack who's doing the flying (above) as he prepares to come down on Race's arm. Jack sends Harley reeling (right) with an arm drag. Throughout the match Jack didn't even attempt to lock Race in the figure-four leglock.



resistance that way. So the idea will be to start throwing Race around, rather than try to work close on the mat. He won't know what hit him. And by the time he figures out what happened, he'll be treating his wounds in the dressing room."

They argued about the plan far into the night. Jack was hesitant about forsaking the figure-four leglock for flips and throws. However, if Race was put off balance mentally, it would be easier to put him off balance physically. So the discussion continued.

Eventually a compromise was worked out. Jack decided to try it according to Jerry's plan and then if it failed, he would try for the figure-four leglock. If he could

To make that kind of plan work Brisco had to get into the best shape of his life. He lived like a monk, thinking only about wrestling Race.

"I lived with Race always in front of me," Jack said after the match. "All I could think of were the films of Race and what happened in previous matches. I looked for little signs that would telegraph what he was about to do. I don't think I stopped thinking about him for more than five minutes."

At least two hours a day Jack practiced throws and flips. The joke around the gym was that anyone who passed by Brisco was sure to land on his back.

As for Race, he physically worked out the way he usually does. Men-

tally, however, he was doing everything he could think of to be in the nastiest, cruelest mood he could work himself into. By the week of the bout nobody could stand being near Race.

And that suited Harley fine. He just wanted to sit and picture Jack Brisco's head split open and Jack having to be carried out on a stretcher. After all, Race reasoned, all he'd have to do was avoid that figure-four leglock.

And that's what Race was looking for the night of the match. Jerry Brisco was proven right — while Harley Race wished Jerry had minded his own business.

The two determined men left their corners and before Race knew what had happened he was sailing in the air. No sooner did Race recover than he was sailing in the air again. And after each flip Race would go crashing to the canvas.

Harley wasn't quite sure what was happening but he knew that he didn't like it. Unfortunately, it takes even a veteran wrestler a couple of seconds to completely change the style of the match. Jack Brisco wasn't about to give him those precious seconds.

Harley couldn't remain down because that would open an invitation for Jack to use his figure-four leglock. So he had to stay on his feet. But Brisco would then flip him down again. Harley was thrown more ways than he knew a man could be thrown. And it wasn't a lesson he was cherishing learning.

However, there was nothing he could do about it. Jack did what he set out to do. Finally, when the battered Race took awhile to get up, Jack trapped him in a headlock rather than the figure-four. It was adding insult to a lot of injury.

After the match the Brisco dressing room was the scene of wild celebration. Jack had succeeded beyond his wildest dreams. Race never had a chance against the "new" Jack Brisco.

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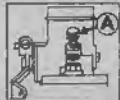
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The company learned about this and had each new dealer in my section of Michigan spend a day with me. One day the president of Duraclean Company asked me how I would like to move to Headquarters and spend my entire time helping dealers to increase their sales and profits.

That was good news to my ears. Since then I have worked with hundreds of our dealers in their own towns and at regional meetings, conventions and dealer group meetings. But much of the time I am right here at my desk in touch with our dealers by letter and telephone.

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